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To a Geneva

By Robert B. McCartney

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Mr. Kohl announced at the start

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The official Soviet news agency

Tass said that Mr. Rohl had set "a

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Philippine Strike Call Succeeds

For First Time, Aquino Faced by Wide Opposition

By Seth Mydans New York Times Service

MANILA - Thousands of transport drivers, telephone operators, teachers, government employees and factory workers struck Wednesday in a nationwide protest against fuel-price increases, despite a last-minute attempt by President Corazon C. Aquino to defuse it. It was the first time since Mrs. Aquino came to power in February 1986 on a wave of popular support that a broad cross section of society

had joined in protest against her Officials said that about half the nation's 13 administrative districts

Demonstrations, led by a leftist trade union, were held in a number of cities, and the police were reported to have fired shots and used water cannon and truncheons to break up some of them

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More than 100 arrests and a number of injuries, including gunshot wounds, were reported.

Many people in Manila and other cities were unable to get to work or classes because of a walkout by drivers of "jeepneys," which are the primary mode of urban transport.

A stranded commuter wearing a yellow shirt, the color identified with Mrs. Aquino's triumph over Ferdinand E. Marcos, said she real-ized too late that she had worn the vrong outfit Wednesday.

The mayor of Manila, Jejomar Binay, sent flatbed garbage trucks to haul stranded commuters.

About 6,000 protesters gathered near the presidential palace, chanting, "Cory Aquino, puppet of the Americans," and were peacefully dispersed by the police.

The trade union, the May First Movement, said it would extend the one-day protest.

Although the president's spokes-man, Teodoro Benigno, had said her broad popularity would shield her from adverse reaction, Mrs. Aquino backed down Tuesday from the 18-percent increase an-nounced Aug. 14 and announced a partial reduction.

The leader of a major moderate trade union responded with a promise to pull out of the strike. but it appeared that members of both the moderate and leftist unions participated.

Three days after the increase in fuel prices was announced, transport workers began a walkout that slowed business in Manila.

As the protests spread, drivers walked off their jobs Monday in the two other large cities. Davao and Cebu City, and in a number of See MANILA, Page 2

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67 Are Arrested In Hess Protest

WUNSIEDEL, West Germany (UPI) - The police arrested 67 neo-Nazi demonstrators on Wednesday as they attempted to enter the cometery where relatives of Rudolf Hess planned to bury the remains of Adolf Hitler's former deputy.

The arrests were made as 1,000 neo-Nazis and curiosity seekers gathered at the Hess family plot shortly before 2 P.M., the time previously scheduled for the funeral, the



Caspar W. Weinberger. who said Tuesday that Western military power in the Gulf will continue to increase. Page 7.

GENERAL NEWS

In Hue, Vietnam's former imperial capital, memories of the Tet offensive of 1968. Page Z.

BUSINESS/FINANCE

Morton Thiokol, maker of the U.S. space shuttle's booster rockets, will test a redesigned Page 9. model Thursday.

Sony Corp., the Japanese electronics maker, reported a sharp fall in profits. Page 11.



Policemen dispersing striking demonstrators in Manila on Wednesday.

South African Strikers Are Rejecting Offer

JOHANNESBURG - A union official said Wednesday that black strikers were voting to reject slightimproved benefits offered by South Africa's major mining com-

The management proposal, which was made Tuesday with a 9 P.M. Wednesday deadline, included no wage increase.

"The reaction of the workers has shown that they are rejecting the offer," said James Motlatsi, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, in an interview in Transvaal Province. "It will be a massive rejection for most of our regioo because the offer itself is not

A UP1 reporter visiting union a position to advise, ar offices in Secunda, east of Johan-left it to our members."

nesburg, was told by a regional union organizer that four mines in the area had rejected the settlement A national spokesman, Kuben

Pillay, said at the union's Johan-

nesburg beadquarters that "there

has been no official decision." "We are still waiting to hear what our members have to say," he

> He said the union's decisionmaking executive committee had declined to recommend acceptance or rejection because members were split on how to react to the offer, "Some of us feel it would be

strategie to accept the offer, and others feel we must continue with the strike," he said. "We are not in a position to advise, and we have

Marcel Golding, deputy leader al vacation. They would not get any of the union, said, "The decision additional vacation days. will be taken on a national level once all the information is in."

Cyril Ramaphosa, the union's general secretary, headed the union negotiators in talks Tuesday with the Chamber of Mines, which represents the six major mining firms targeted by the strikers. The contract talks were the first since the strike began Aug. 9.

Mr. Ramaphosa said Wednesday that voting would be by a show of bands because the union would not have time to tabulate individual ballots from the 330,000 miners who are on strike at 45 gold and

Miners now receive only a portion of their regular pay when they are on vacation. They are seeking 30 days of vacation a year instead of the current 14 to 21 days.

The mining companies' proposal also raises death benefits from two times a miners' annual salary to four times that amount. The union has sought to have death benefits increased to five times the annual

The chamber made no new offers on the union's other demands, which included a 30-percent wage increase, additional danger pay, Under the proposal, miners and recognition of the anniversary would get a 10-percent increase in of the Soweto riots on June 16. the pay they receive while on annu- 1976, as a paid holiday. (AP,UPI) must not "erect additional barri-

Reagan Hails Bonn Offer On Weapons

By Lou Cannon

LOS ANGELES - President Ronald Reagan welcomed the announcement by Chancellor Helmus Kohl of West Germany that he would destroy 72 Pershing-1A missiles, saying that removal of this "artificial obstacle" smoothed the way for approval of a U.S.-Soviet short- and medium-range nuclear missiles from Europe and Asia.

Mr. Reagan inserted a passage praising the Kohl move into a speech in which the president challenged Moscow to demonstrate its new claims of openness by disman-ting the Berlin Wall, withdrawing from Afghanistan and allowing self-determination in Eastern Eu-

"Of course, these are significant democratic steps," Mr. Reagan said in a speech delivered to the Town Hall of California, a civic organization, "But steps such as these are required for a fundamental improvement in relations between East and West." A senior White House official

who briefed reporters on Mr. Rea-gan's speech said that a representative of Mr. Kohl had called the U.S. national security adviser, Frank C. Carlucci, on Tuesday morning to tell him that Bonn was prepared to remove the Pershing missiles once a treaty removing the medium-range missiles was signed and implement-

The Pershing missiles are owned by West Germany, but their nuclear warbeads are supplied and con-trolled by the United States,

Call for Prompt Accord In his speech, Mr. Reagan also declared that the Soviet Union



Chancellor Helmut Kohl making the announcement.

ers" to a U.S.-Soviet agreement on the global elimination of intermediate-range missiles, The Associated Press reported.

We can wrap up an agreement on iotermediate-range nuclear missiles promptly," Mr. Reagan said. "There are still issues to be worked out. Our delegation in Geneva has already pointed the way to simplifying verification requirements that we have agreed to the total elimination of U.S. and Soviet See REAGAN, Page 7

West German declaration. The Soviet Union had said previously that it would accept the treaty, in the closing phase of negotiation at Geneva, only if the U.S. controlled nuclear warheads on the

Pershings were destroyed.

The Pershings are in the category of weapons to be dismantled under the treaty. But the United States has maintained that they are West German weapons and fall outside

the scope of the bilateral U.S.-Sovihave to test the Sandinistas to the et treaty.

Mr. Kohl took the initiative on the Pershin mestic political purpose of casting

himself as an active disarmament supporter in advance of state elections on Sept. 13 in Schleswig-Holstein and Bremen, government and diplomatic sources said. Mr. Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union tost ground in national elections in January and

in state elections in May mainly because its foreign policy was viewed as too rightist. Mr. Kohl also was eager to create a positive climate for a visit to

Bonn by the East German head of state, Erich Honecker, from Sept. 7-11. the government sources said. Mr. Kohi was under pressure

from Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Geascher and from the opposition Social Democrats to resolve the Pershing dispute. The Social Democrats have

called a special session of the Bundestag for Sept. 2 to discuss the Pershings, and the parliamentary debate had threatened to expose strains within Mr. Kohl's centerright coalition. In particular, the Social Demo-

cratic proposal was aimed at un-See KOHL, Page 7

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Who Conducts U.S. Foreign Policy? Shultz-Carlucci Tension Remains Despite Reagan Steps State Department officials also .NSC staff and process should

By Michael R. Gordon New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan's overhaul of the national security apparatus after the Iran-contra affair has not resolved strong differences between Secretary of State George P. Shultz and White House officials over the conduct of foreign policy, according to officials close to Mr. Shultz and Frank C. Carlucci, the national security adviser.

With unusual bluntness, Mr. Shultz said in congressional testimony last month that be was unhappy with the current system. In private deliberations, officials say, he has repeated his suggestion for strengthening his position as the president's principal adviser on foreign policy, and reducing the influence of Mr. Carlucci.

Privately, some State Department officials echo this concern more vociferously than the secre-

They complain, for example, that Mr. Carlucci usurped a traditional State Department mission when he made high-level consulta-tions in West European capitals earlier this month. Mr. Shultz made address early this month, Mr. Reahis strong reservations known to the White House, the officials add.

ty Council staff, by meeting with ambassadors in Washington. Mr. Sh spreads confusion abroad about who is responsible for foreign po-

Mr. Carlucci is said to be among those who believe that the administration needs a strong staff on the National Security Council to arbitrate policy disputes between the State Department, the Defense Department and other agencies.

"Every secretary of state in history wants to run foreign policy all by himself," said one official, who has worked in the State Department and on the National Security Council. "But it does not work that way."

"Shultz just wants to run more by himself." said a senior administration official who is supportive of Mr. Carlucci. "State wants to chair all the meetings, meet all the foreigners and have the NSC do the paperwork," this senior official complained.

President Reagan appears to have settled the matter by deciding against Mr. Shultz. In his television gan noted that he had fully adopted the "Tower board model of how the

In his congressional testimony,

recommendations of the commission, headed by former Senator John G. Tower of Texas, on bow to avoid a repeat of the Iran-contra affair. He said the recommendations granted too much power to the National Security Council staff. Some White House officials are

concerned that this criticism by Mr. Shultz will encourage congres-sional efforts to restructure the National Security Council system, which they say is now working ef-A White House official said the

endorsement of the Tower commis-sion recommendations was included in Mr. Reagan's speech to discourage Congress from pursuing legislation to restructure the National Security Council. Since he took over the job, Mr.

Shultz has also had strong differences with Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger on policy issues, such as arms control and the use of American military force. Mr. Reagan has often been rejuctant to While Mr. Shultz and Mr. Car-

lucci have important differences See SHULTZ, Page 2



George P. Shultz

Contras May Ask U.S. To Suspend Military Aid By James LeMoyne limit — a contest between their

MIAMI — Nicaraguan rebel leaders say they may suggest that President Ronald Reagan suspend their military aid on the condition that the Nicaraguan government move to open the political process in accord with a Central American peace agreement. The move, which is still under

discussion, would be designed to show good faith on the part of the rebels and the administration in observing the accord while keeping pressure on Nicaragua to carry out provisions on freedom to publish and to organize politically, rebel officials said this week. Rebel political leaders and their

main military commander are to meet with Mr. Reagan in Los Angeles on Thursday. Rebel leaders say they will then go to see Repre-sentative Jim Wright, Democrat of Texas and speaker of the House, who has been working with the administration in seeking a biparti-san consensus on Central America. We are in a completely new political game and we have to change our strategy to meet it." said Alfredo Cesar, a member of the contras' six-member directorate. "We are in a period when we

capacity to maneuver and our pacity to maneuver. Rebel leaders have said they be-

lieve that the regional accord, signed Aug. 7 by five Central American leaders, forces them and the administration finally to open a policy toward Nicaragua in which political and diplomatic initiatives get at least as much weight as military measures. In the fighting, contra leaders

said, they are losing about 400 dead and wounded a month, but inflicting far higher casualties on the Sandinists. The rebels said that American-

supplied anti-aircraft missiles have had a major effect, having brought down at least three Sandinist helicopters and having forced Sandinist pilots to operate with far more caution. The contras have made few dra-

matic attacks. But they appear to be slowly expanding their influence in the countryside and seem able to maintain a continuing presence there, forcing the Sandinists to spend scarce resources, especially See LATIN, Page 7

Titanic Stirs Up Waves

By Ken Ringle Washington Post Service

Salvagers to Unveil Artifacts on TV

NEW YORK - Amid renewed talk of "grave robbing" and "exploitation." leaders of an expedition to the wreck of the Titanic have confirmed plans to have the actor Telly Savalas unveil their recovered artifacts in a globally broadcast television "docutaiament" from Monte Carlo.

They also revealed Tuesday that their French-based international venture is financed largely by North American money, much of it emanating from a retired BMW dealer in Greenwich, Connecticut. Robert Chappaz, chairman and managing director of the Paris-based Taurus International offshore operations firm, said that the 70day salvage effort has been in preparation for nearly two years but that it solidified its financial base only in the past few weeks.

Mr. Chappaz made his disclosure after a sometimes fractious press conference to stem mounting criticism of the expedition.

The Titanic sank April 15, 1912, after hitting an iceberg on its maiden voyage, from Southampton, England, to New York. Survivors and relatives of the more than 1,500 who died have urged that the wreck be left undisturbed as a memorial to those who went down with

Mr. Chappaz and other expedition spokesmen, however, insist that they are treating both the wreck and its artifacts with reverence and respect, merely retrieving poignant bits of history to be displayed so that people can see and learn from them.

"We've got a ship that's been trying to get to New York for 75 years." said George Tulloch, the former BMW salesman who is managing director of a partnership called Oceanic Research & Exploration Lid. "We just want to help it do so." He and other speakers emphasized repeatedly that no Titanic

artifacts would be sold. They said that the artifacts would be scientifically preserved and

See TITANIC, Page 5

In the Archetypal Slum, Promises but No Solutions

By Margor Hornblower

Washington Past Service
NEW YORK — New Yorkers remember how the South Bronx became the most famous slum in America. On Oct. 5, 1977, President Jimmy Carter stood on the scorched earth of Charlotte Street, dismayed at the desolation, and promised to try to "turn it around."

The president drove through miles of burned-out tenements and deserts of rubble, while black and Hispanic men called from the sidewalks, "We want jobs!" and "Give us Soon afterward Mother Teresa paid a visit, as if to show

that the United States, too, had its Calcutta. During the World Series cameras spanned beyond the bleachers of Yankee Stadium to the billowing clouds of smoke as the television announcer Howard Cosell intoned. The Bronx is burning."

Bus loads of politicians, policy-makers, travelers from as

far as Japan and Norway — even the Bolshoi Ballet — followed, curious to see, as Senator Daniel P. Moynihan of New York later put it, "an Armageddon collapse that, I do not believe, has its equal in the history of urbanization." In the next few years Pope John Paul II and Ronald Reagan made pilgrimages. Charlotte Street bad become an obligatory backdrop for aspiring candidates.

The New York Times editorialized that a visit to the South Bronz was "as crucial to the understanding of American urban life as a visit to Auschwitz is to understanding Na-Hollywood filmed a drama about the South Bronx's 41st.

Precinct, "Fort Apache, the Bronx." It started Paul Newman, Ed Asner and bordes of extras playing junkies, prostitates, gang members and revolutionaries. But for all the spotlight's glara, the South Bronx - an 8.5square-mile (22-square-kilometer) city-within-a-city — has

hardly changed since President Carter's visit.

Reagan's visit his administration cut federal bousing programs nationwide. The city government, recovering from Rusting, disemboweled cars sit beside mounds of garbage. grams nationwide. The city government, recovering from near-bankruptcy and mired in corruption, focused on the boom in Manhattan.

Ten years later, the South Bronx remains ground zero of ened by fire, blocked with cement, nailed shut with plywood. American orban policy, a paradigm of a ghetto. It is a case study of what has happened in inner cities across the country, only here on a grander scale, befitting the nation's

Between 1977 and 1985, the latest year for which figures are available, the proportion of the city's population living in poverty grew from 18.5 percent to 24 percent.

> New York, New York South Bronx, Symbol of City's Decline

> > Second of three articles

"In New York, you have dizzying amounts of wealth living cheek by jowl with sickening levels of poverty," said Felix G. Roharyn, chairman of the Municipal Assistance Corp., which led the city out of its fiscal crisis in the late 1970s. "But because of our brush with bankruptcy, the city no longer has any illusions about the ability of government to solve all the problems of poverty."

The South Bronx, once a stronghold of Jews, Irish and Italians, is now nearly 95 percent minority - about evenly split between blacks and Puerto Ricans. Walk through the vast twilight zone of the South Bronx:

misery assaults you. Subway stations reek of urine. A layer of grime and graffiti seems to cover every surface. Men, able-bodied, wander from corner to corner, some-

Few jobs ever came, and little money. Soon after Mr. times with children in tow, collecting soda cans in plastic uncollected for days.

Everywhere there are haunting windows: windows black-

scarred with jagged glass. There are - surprise - even some with pretty turquoiseand-white shutters and flowering plants. Sadly, as you ap-

proach, the prosperity turns out to be a mirage. The city has affixed painted vinyl decals in the window frames of hundreds of abandoned buildings to disguise the blight, because funds are not available for repair. In the fires, 100,000 units of housing were lost. The

neighborhoods, where people once slept in shifts because of overcrowding, empued out. More than 300,000 people fled Now the fires have largely been banked: After the legisla-

ture passed a law delaying insurance payments for suspi-cious blazes, landlords found that arson no longer paid. Today, owing bundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes, they merely walk away from buildings filled with welfare tenants, leaving the city as owner of 1,603 dilapidated South Bronx tenements, a pattern repeated in Harlem and poor

sections of Brooklyn The South Bronx landscape remains an eerie chessboard where single buildings stand forlorn amid empty lots and charred hulks of abandoned five-story walk-ups. Although as many as 25,000 apartments have been built or renovated with city and federal funds in the last decade, the demand is parely dented.

Theories abound as to why the South Bronx degenerated from merely a poor neighborhood, as it was in the 1960s, to a spreading disaster area by the mid-1970s.

A major factor was the flight of the manufacturing jobs. See NEW YORK, Page 5

In Vietnam's Imperial Capital, Memories of 'the War' of '68

By Barbara Crossette

New York Times Service HUE, Vietnam - On the narrow, green coastal plain that winds north from Da Nang to the 17th parallel, once the dividing line between two Vietnams, war stories are told not by soldiers alone.

Some of the fiercest fighting of the "American war" took place in Hue, and every adult is to one degree or another, a veteran: the 50-year-old Buddhist monk in his vegetarian kitchen; the poet, an aristocratic woman of 78, tending her orchards; the young man, barely 30, who sailed away in a rickety boat 10 years ago and has come back to embrace the parents who suffered because of his choice, and the former soldier from Hanoi, still heartbroken by the loss of his first love, who married another while he

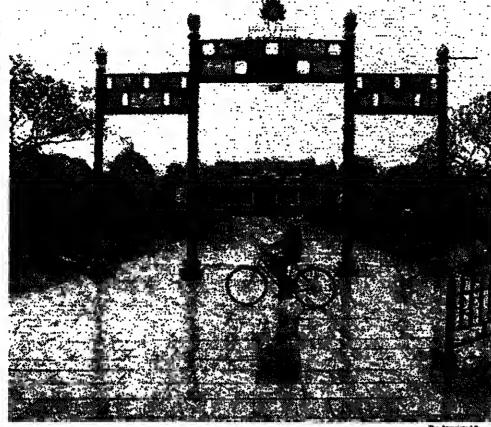
in early 1968, at the time of Tel, the lunar new year, Hue and Da Nang were for a time at the center of a fierce offensive, a campaign that is now regarded as an attempt by Hanoi to capture the northern cities in what was then South Viet-The former North Vietnamese

soldier, now living in Hue, and others say troops had been sent into the area in 1967 to prepare for the campaign. Hue seemed ready to

American and South Vietnamese troops dislodged the Communis forces in more than a month of heavy fighting, and Hue and Da Nang remained in Saigon's hands natil the war ended in 1975.

Residents of Hue are unexpectedly neutral when speaking with an American about the events of 1968. of the city across the Perfume Riv-Outside and occasionally inside government offices, the battles are called simply "the war," ont the standard "American war of aggres-

A government official in a coastal town south of Hue said people understood that many Americans had come in Vietnam to fight for something they believed in. Sometimes, the Vietnamese seemed to be hlaming Americans less for what happened in Vietnam than Ameri-



Cyclists in Hue on the grounds of the former imperial palace, now fully restored.

pointed to the American-huilt discovered, he added. roads, the bridge linking two halves er, the Hue Central Hospital, and the Huong Giang Hotel, once huild a tourist industry.

exact a deadly toll, said Nguyen and buildings. It had altered the called Dinh Ngo, the lieutenant governor of Binh Tri Thien Province, of which Hue is the capital,
"Even this very minute, while we

are sitting here talking, somewhere in the province someone is getting killed by the war," he said

Many State Department and

return operation to White House. It

will then be an outpost of State

Mr. Reagan later asked the Tow-

er commission to review the opera-

tions of the National Security

Council and later publicly em-

braced the board's recommenda-

tions, which out the National Socu-

rity Council, and not the State

Department, at the heart of the

As the decision-making structure

works now, the president continues

to head meetings of the National

Security Planning Group, which in-

cludes the statutory members of the

president, the vice president, the

secretary of state and the secretary

A special high-level interdepart-

mental committee has been estab-

lished which is headed by Mr Car-

Mr. Carlucci's deputy, General

Colin Powell, heads policy review

groups that are convened to delib-

On arms control questions, key decisions are reviewed by the Se-

headed by Mr. Carlucci or General

Powell. Administration officials

But Mr. Shultz said the system

was flawed when he appeared last

month before the congressional

Iran-contra committees. He has

also made this point in private, of-

In his public testimony, Mr.

Shultz said he strongly disagreed

with the recommendation by the Tower commission 10 put "the Na-

tional Security Council staff at the

center of the process" and asserted

that the chairmanships of impor-

Administration officials say he

claborated on these views in private

meetings with Mr. Reagan, the White House chief of staff, How-

ard H. Baker Jr., Mr. Carlucci and

ficials say.

erate on pressing policy issues.

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of defense — and other cabinet

officers and senior officials.

Department."

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bombs and mines have yet to be He said that 230 000 people have

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new life in the West — under Hassaid.

"She said to me — and she was a said what American officers' quarters and noi's recently relaxed attitude topsychology of the people he remembered, he said.

problems arose from divided family sympathies in wartime and from A provincial official in Hne, re
Mr. Ngo said 4,000 to 5,000 peothe south as Hanoi tried to "break

She was the wife of a mandarin
the machine" and impose Commuin Hue in the court of the last kings

history, told a visitor that "onthing defusing or stumbling on unex-was added in the 30 years of the ploded ordnance. Thousands of now been abandoned.

trip, for the first time in his life, he a widely publicized act that quarreled with his mother. He had brought world attention to Vietchided her for behaving uncharitably to members of the family, he

now the focus of the city's plan to ward refugees who want to visit angry — You have no idea what home and family — said the war life has been like here, and you The Tet campaign continues to had an effect on more than bodies can't tell me what to do," be re-

> In the garden of a spacious riverside family compound, Nguyen In the view of this emigrant, who Dinh Chi took a different view. did not want to be identified, the Tong Chi, the pen-name by which she is known, said that little has changed in Hue except that the steep postwar economic slide in Vietnamese people are finally free.

> > House official said the size of the

council has grown slightly since

tional Security Council now has a

with 62 in November.

of Vietnam. She was among those who made the decision after 1968 to join the rebellion against Saigon and the Americans. After the end of the war, she came back in her family home and began to turn its orchards into a sustaining business. This year, she spent six months

in France, visiting relatives. She hopes to visit Boston, where a sister lives, but that will have to wait until diplomatic relations are established between Hanoi and Washington,

At the 17th-century Bao Quoc agoda and monastery, the abbot, the Venerable Duc Thanh, recalled the American era kaleidoscopical-

destroyed by American bombing, he said. He avoided the question of why this happened.

At another pagoda, someone said matter-of-factly: "The VC were there, and who could tell the

Hundreds, possibly thousands, of people were reported killed by Communist forces during the Tet offensive because they refused to cooperate, or had been singled out earlier as potential obstructions. Vietnamese officials deny the charge, or refuse to discuss it, as do ordinary Vietnamese, who say only: "The people know what hap-

Many of Hue's Buddhist temples became part of the war, by choice or circumstance. It was from the Thion Mu Pagoda that the monk ow been abandoned. Thich Quang Duc went south to set.
This young man said that on this fire to himself on a Saigon street.—

The car in which the monk was driven is now up on blocks at the pagoda, on permanent display, complete with a picture of the im-

molation. On the other hand, the Venerable Duc Thanh, whose monastery is famous for its vegetarian kitchen, orchids and bonsai trees, recalled how young American soldiers came to his temple to learn Zen Bud-

"They were good people," he said. "I have heard there are many Zen temples in America now, and I would like to visit them one day."

By Steven Greenhouse

New York Times Service

Mitterrand of France sparked a

dispute Wednesday when he criti-

cized the conservative government

stration in New Caledonia, where

the police clubbed dozens of dem-

onstrators urging independence for

the French colony.

Mr. Chirac and members of his

How can we not be sensitive to

aired and even more by the reality

that they express?" the Socialist

president said after meeting with

the prime minister on Wednesday.

Many in France were shocked to

see television images of the police

using truncheons and tear gas to break up a peaceful sit-in of 300

cialist National Liberation Front.

The French government has

banned demonstrations until after

The Kanak front, the main sepa-

ratist group, has called for a boy-cott of the referendum, which is

expected in result in a vote against

ndependence. The Kanaks are na-

tive New Caledonians and repre-

sent 43 percent of the archipelago's

140,000 residents while French set-

tlers and others form a majority.

The Kanak organization said 23

demonstraturs were injured in the

demonstration. French officials

said that no one was injured, and

number of injured at about 10.

the referendum on Sept. 13.

demonstrators from the Kanak So-

France.

"Nothing is worse than a chain

PARIS - President François



A novice monk at one of the Buddhist pagodas in Hue.

en to such an ordinary event and by

the exploitation of it." He added

that this exploitation could only

"heighten tensions" in New Cale-

donia and encourage the unleash-

ing of passions that would "hurt

France's image in a region where it

was slowly being restored from the gamage caused by certain incidents

French commentators said Mr.

Chirac was referring in part to the

decision by the French secret ser-

vices, under the previous Socialist

government of Laurent Pabius, to

It was not the first time that the

Socialist president has criticized

Mr. Chirac's New Caledonia poli-

cies in the uneasy power-sharing

arrangement that has existed since Mr. Chirac's government came to

power in March 1986. In February.

Mr. Mitterrand criticized the refer-

endum on the ground that it would

heighten tensions and do little to

reconcile the Kanak minority with

the rest of New Caledonia's popu-

Mr. Chirac condemned Austra-

lia and New Zealand on Wednes-

in criticizing French control of

New Caledonia, and accused them

of seeking to destabilize French

overseas territories, Agence

France-Presse reported from Arles,

land "for historical and political

reasons have contested the pres-

ence of France in the region for a

Mr. Chirac said Australia and

overtly or slyly a political destabili-

zation" in the French colony.

He said Australia and New Zea-

day for their "shocking hypocrisy"

in the recent past."

ests in the Pacific.

New Caledonia Sets Off

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WORLD BRIEFS

Chad Is Planning Offensive. U.S. Says WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. Defense Department officials being asserted that President Hissene Habre of Chad is prepared to launch an offensive to push the remaining Libyan troops from his country despite

The attack is expected in the coming weeks and will be directed against the Aouzou air base, which straddles the Chad-Libyah honder and where the Libyans maintain an estimated 3,000 to 4,000 troops, the officials said.

Since January, Mr. Habré has taken the offensive against the Libyan presence in the northern half of Chad, routing most of the Libyans in several major battles in March.

Police Break Up Protest in Panama

PANAMA CITY (AP) — Riot policemen have broken up an anti-government protest by University of Panama students for a second day, slightly wounding six persons with bird shot. Before the police action, the students burned garbage and government.

cars on Monday and Tuesday to block entrances to the main campus. which has been a center of protests against the military-backed government and against General Manuel Antonio Noriega, head of the National Defence Force

At least 500 lawyers and law students marched to the Supreme Court building on Tuesday to protest what they called judicial disregard for human rights since the protests began in early June.

Soviet Ideologist Assails Reformists

MOSCOW (Reuters) - Yegor K. Ligachev, the Soviet party ideologist, accused reformist intellectu-als Wednesday of seeking to discredit the Communist Party by exaggerating the repressions of Sta-

Mr. Ligachev, considered to be No. 2 in the Kremlin, also said it was futile to hope that Mikhail S. Gorbachev's campaign for open-ness and reform would bring a market economy to the Soviet Union, the official news agency Tass reported. "People in the West, and even

some in our country, are seeking to discredit the entire path of building socialism in the Soviet Union," he said. They try to present it as an unbroken chain of mistakes and, using the facts of unjustified reions, overshadow the accom-



U.S. Farm Crisis Seems to Be Easing

WASHINGTON (AP) - The land taken over by banks and other lenders from farmers unable to repay loans is estimated at more than 7.98 million acres (about 3 million hectares), valued at \$3.81 billion, an Agriculture Department analysis showed. "Lender holdings are still increasing, but at a slower rate," the report said, "They have not peaked, but the credit crunch of the 1980s appears to

Although farmland prices have strengthened after declining by a third nationally in the last five years, the report said no land boom is in sight. A

large supply of farmland is on the market, preventing a rapid recovery, it said. The report, prepared by the Economic Research Service, was made public Wednesday.

For the Record

Nigeria's military government lifted a ban Wednesday that was imposed in April on the country's leading newsmagazine, Newswatch, after it. published excerpts from a report by a panel recommending the institu Thirty-one Mozambican refugees have died on an electric fence erected

along South Africa's border with its eastern neighbor, Defense Minister Magnus Malan told the South African Parliament on Wednesday. He also said four persons have died on a similar feace along the northern border with Zimbabwe. (UPI)

Mozambique's Renamo rebels have killed 45 civilians in a raid in

central Sofala Province, according to an army official in Maputo. It was the latest in a series of massacres blamed on Renamo, the Portuguese acronym for the Mozambican National Resistance, which Maputo claims blow up the Rainbow Warrior, a is backed by South Africa.

boat that was in New Zealand on . The Israeli Health Ministry has issued emergency regulations requiring its way to protest French nuclear all prostitutes to be tested for exposure to AIDS every six months, the

TRAVEL UPDATE

The Scandinavian airline SAS strongly protested Wednesday against a Danish decision to allow Sterling Airways, one of the world's biggest charter lines, to fly regular charters to Canada. It now flies there on a case-by-case basis.

A Piedmont Airlines flight to Washington, D.C., with 87 people aboard made an emergency landing Tuesday at Bridgeport, West Virginia, because of a fire caused by an 11-year-old boy smoking in a toilet. There were no injuries, but the flight was delayed for three hours.

Correction

An item in the People column in Tuesday's editions should have said. that the bost of a dinner given in honor of Mstislav Rostropovich, the violoncellist. after a concert in Athens was Orestes Varvitsiotes, the executive vice president of Prudential Bache Securities, Greece, SA

MANILA: Strike Movement Widens

urban centers in the southern Lu-

long time and are conducting zon region of Bicol. Newspaper commentators have written that the price increase has threatened to erode the president's popularity, and analysts said she had shown insensitivity in failing publicly to announce and explain

Mrs. Aquino finally appeared on nationwide television Tuesday to announce a reduction on duties for imported oil from 20 per cent to 15 Energy Regulatory Board cut prices for consumers.

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She said additional oil subsidies would be sought through the national lottery.

The chairman of the board, Pon-

ciano Mathay, immediately an-nounced the reductions, to take effect Wednesday, but prices for gasoline, kerosene and other petroleum products remain somewhat higher than they were before Aug.

A spokesman for the Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company said that 65 percent of its 12,000 employees failed to report to work, cither because they supported the protest or because they were

stranded by transport strikes. At Manila International Airport. traffic was reported in be normal

after supervisors ordered employees to spend the night there. ■ Reports of Violence Witnesses, including foreign

journalists, said a man and two women were wounded when the police fired on protesters in Bacoor, about 10 miles (16 kilometera) south of Manila, The Associated Press reported. A fourth. person, a woman, was struck in the head with a club, they said.

The provincial commander, Colonel Cesar Garcia denied that troops opened fire. He contended that two women and a soldier were try in June, were in Koje advising seriously injured when bombs held

by protesters exploded.

The Far East Network, which broadcasts to the 40,000-member. American military community, urged U.S. troops and their dependents to avoid travel to Manila.

independent witnesses put the New Zealand should remember their dealings with natives in their For his part, Mr. Chirac said he _ countries, the Ahorigines and Maowas "shocked by the attention giv- ris. A Korea Dispute Settled; Workers to Release Body Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

They also agreed to negotiate the SEOUL — Striking shipyard details of Mr. Lee's funeral, the workers who have been holding the Korea Broadcasting System said. body of a slain co-worker to rein- Mr. Lee's death, which came in force their wage demands settled a the midst of widespread labor consalary dispute Wednesday and flict in South Korea, had threatagreed to release the body for buri- ened to inflame an already tense situation because doctors found The agreement, and a govern- that metal fragments had pierced ment apology for the death, appar- his lung and liver. They said an ently defused a tense, 19-day stand- exploding tear gas grenade had Prime Minister Kim Chung Yul ing & Heavy Machinery Ltd. on
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Wednesday that interference in fu-Wednesday that interference in fu-

neral arrangements for Mr. Lee would not be tolerated. "I am deeply saddened that a worker died in the course of police

efforts to put down a labor pro-test," Mr. Kim said. "Outside interference in the funeral arrangements cannot be tolerated because it makes settlement difficult and causes uneasiness and inconveniences for Koje residents."

About 150 dissidents, including members of the National Coalition for a Democratic Constitution. which organized violent anti-government protests across the coun-

Yang Dong Send, a union leader at the Daewoo shipyard in South Korea, where a wage agreement was reached Wednesday.



the protesters.

The coalition earlier demanded the resignation of the government because of Mr. Lee's death. Umon leaders made similar demands. (UPI, Reuters)

Yegor K. Ligachev He was addressing teachers in the industrial town of Elektrostal, plishment of the people, who have about 40 miles (60 kilometers) east created a mighty socialist power." of Moscow.

SHULTZ: Despite Reagan's Steps on Security, Tensions With Carlucci Persist has complete confidence in the pos- with the view of some experts that where the size it is now." A White over American policy toward Cen- itive working relationship which the national security adviser should tral America and arms control, the exists between the NSC and the be the principal foreign policy addebate is said to center primarily on the question of jurisdiction,

power, and how policy is to be agencies."

made and implemented, rather than on policy differences. Phyllis E. Oakley, a State De- that "whatever differences there partment spokeswoman, said: have been in their relationship have Secretary Shultz does not offer now been overcome." comments pertaining to his relation with other U.S. government offi- White House officials appear to. cials. That's his policy." She noted agree on one point. They say that that Mr. Shultz's general views with a year and a half remaining in

Asked about Mr. Carlucci's posi- probably too late for the administion, a White House spokesman, tration to change its way of doing Dan Howard, said, "The president business.

The Background: Limits of Power

The Reagan administration came to power with the view that the power of the National Security Council staff should be limited to avoid the policy elashes that took place with the State Department when Henry A. Kissinger was national security adviser, ft has experimented with several different

approaches to making policy. n keeping with its philosophy of "cabinet government," the administration initially set up three main interagency committees on foreign policy, defense and intelligence, which were headed by the secretary of state, the secretary of defense and the director of central intelli-

These committees did not meet often and some administration officials now dispute their effective-

But as divisions emerged within the administration on arms control and other issues, the National Security Council staff was increasingly thrust into the role of arbiter. Although it later gained notoriety for its role in managing covert operations in the Iran-contra affair, the National Security Council

staff under the four national securi-

ty advisers who served before Mr.

Cariucci had a reputation inside

the government for being relatively weak in carrying out its intended role, with the result that policy was nior Arms Control Group, which is The disclosure in November of the covert sale of arms to Iran and say that the process is more efficient than before but that a premithe transfer of profits to the Nicaum is still placed on achieving conraguan rebels, and the subsequent resignation of Rear Admiral John M. Poindexter as national security adviser, reopened the question of

what role the National Security Council staff should play.
But White House officials moved to block Mr. Shultz from moving in to fill the policy vacuum. Donald T. Regan, then the White House chief of staff, drafted a "master plan" in November after the initial disclosure of the covert sale of arms to Iran that sought to limit Mr.

Shultz's influence. tant interdepartmental bodies Find replacement for John Poindexter, as soon as possible, should be held by officials from the wrote Mr. Regan in the plan, which State Department, the Defense Dewas made public last month by the partment and other government congressional committee investi-



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One official said, for example, that Mr. Shultz had suggested that the chairmanship of the policy review group be rotated among gov-

agencies as appropriate.

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ernment agencies depending on the subject at hand and not be led by General Powell. Mr. Shultz also said he disagreed

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Department of State, as well as the relationship with other government agencies."

Wiser to the president, stressing that the reins of power "should be in the hands of accountable people," se-One White House official, who nior officials who have been nomiasked not to be identified, insisted nated and confirmed by the Senate. The national security adviser is not subject to Senate confirmation.

For good measure, Mr. Shultz added that the National Security Council staff "should not be any-

Mr. Reagan's second term, it is Mr. Shultz sought in his public can nations and send Mr. Habih to comments to describe his differ- countries in the region, including government responded that the Soences as philosophical and praised Nicaragua, for talks, State Depart-Mr. Carlucci and other White ment officials say. House officials as "outstanding." gating the Iran-contra affair. non official said the comments for Warn president that George Shultz may 'suggest' he take over strained relations between them both agencies on a temporary basis. over the role of the National Secu-He will put in his person and then

rity Council Mr. Shultz's remarks reflect his deep frustration at excessive NSC activism in the implementation of policy," this administration official

A State Department official said Mr. Shultz opposed Mr. Carlucci's trip to Europe earlier this month. By carrying out such missions and meeting with foreign ambassadors, another administration official said, the council's staff was raising the possibility that the administration would not be "speak-ing with one voice and could be

sending different messages."
Even though Mr. Shultz's objec-National Security Council - the tions are said in have focused primarily on issues of jurisdiction and authority, Mr. Shultz has also had some differences over policy decisions involving Central America and arms control, the two foreign policy areas that Mr. Reagan re- Shultz cently said he wanted to concen-

trate on for the remainder of his On Central America, Mr. Shultz strongly supported Philip C. Ha-hih's proposal that the United States quickly embrace the peace plan put forward in Guatemala by

who talked with Mr. Carlucci the leaders of five Central Amerishortly after Mr. Shultz testified.

cient and fair manager.

Supporters of Mr. Carlucci's position say he must play an active role in help bridge the deep differences between Mr. Shultz and Caspar W. Weinberger and to insure that senior administration officials do not try to set presidential policy

Mr. Shultz's remarks were, in part, an effort to balance comments by Mr. Weinberger, who has said that Mr. Reagan has made up his mind that such systems should be deployed. Asked later about Mr. Shultz's comments, Mr. Carlucci described them as "speculation" that went beyond the president's

"I think there should be a rearrangement of things that emphasizes the importance of cabinet government," said Mr Shultz, who of Prime Minister Jacques Chirac added that this "would necessitate over the way it handled a demon-Policies at Odds: Recent Examples

cialists were trying to exploit the incident on Saturday, which oc-curred three weeks before the resi-Mr. Carlucci and Mr. Baker are But a knowledgeable administra- said to have opposed this idea. Af- deats of the Pacific archipelago are lowed differences between Mr. Habib, who worked out of the State they support independence. Shultz and Mr. Carlucci that Department, resigned as the administration's special envoy to the images of brutality that were

Central America. On arms control, Mr. Shultz lost most of the key battles over what stance the United States should take on long-range arms, anti-missile systems and nuclear testing on reaction of violence." his visit in Moscow in April, according to officials throughout the

But officials say that Mr. Shultz has taken the lead in the largely stalled diplomatic efforts in the Middle East by among other things, sending his executive assistant. M. Charles Hill, to Israel to discuss steps toward a peace conference, Officials said Mr. Shultz also shared the administration's enthusiasm for its program to reregister Kuwaiti tankers under

American flag. Mr. Cartucci and his staff have sought to play down the differences and Mr. Carlucci declined to comment on the debate, as did Mr.

But one former official who is

elose to Mr. Carlucci said the national security adviser was disturbed by Mr. Shultz's testimony. "Carlucci felt very embattled and thought Shultz was out to curb said the former official

Carlucci Support: White House View

Mr. Shultz's criticisms of the decision-making system staff are re-jected by White House officials. Even some mid-level State Department officials do not share them, saying that Mr. Carlucci is an effi-

unilaterally through their public and private pronouncements. A case in point is the administra

tion's program for the Strategic Defense Initiative, known as "star wars." Mr. Shultz said last spring that the United States would not decide whether to deploy an antimissile defense for two years and that his remarks reflected the president's thinking on the issue.

"When you have strong cabinet officials with different institutional interests, you need the NSC as an honest broker," said one official. "Most agencies would rather have the NSC in the chair than an op-posing agency. You need the NSC staff to deal with cross-cutting is-

This official cited the export of sensitive technology to the Soviet Union by the Toshiba Machine Co. as a case in point. The administration review of this issue involved Defense Department, Commerce Department and State Department

While the administration was less divided than usual because the breach was considered so severe, there were splits among the agencies, with the Pentagon taking a harder line. Mr. Carlucci crafted a unified position, rejecting congressional sanctions but putting pressure on Japan.

Defenders of Mr. Carlucci also

deny that he is playing too active a

role. "Frank is playing it straight," said one White House official. "He

is not trying to run everything like

Henry Kissinger or going behind

their backs."

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al, the state-run radio said.

off between workers and been the likely cause of death. management at Daewoo Shipbuildters) south of the capital.

However, the workers said a funeral for Lee Sok Kyu, 21, would he held Friday, leaving open the possibility of further clashes with riot police like the one Saturday in which Mr. Lee was killed. Mr. Lee's co-workers said he was killed when he was hit by a police tear gas shell after taking to the

and better working conditions. The workers agreed Wednesday to accept a \$56-a-month raise, Their wages now range from \$142 to \$337.

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that the contras were underwriting

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veteran of the supply operation as

an agency operative. After he was hired, the agency learned of his role and "debriefed him," Mr. Fiers

In his testimony. Mr. Fiers also

criticized "partisan politics" in Congress that he said prompted

delays in approving contra aid. And he assailed the Reagan admin-

istration for leaving him and others

'hanging" in November and De-

cember when the CIA's links to the

private network first became

The failure of Congress to loosen the restrictions, he said, "left me in

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"I wouldn't want to bet on it," he

Mr. Fiers told how Mr. Casey

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Aide Asserts Casey Circumvented the CIA

He Backed Use of White House Operatives on Iran Arms Sale, Congress Is Told

By Stephen Engelberg New York Times Service
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senior operations officer has told congressional committees that Wilitam J. Casey, while head of the agency, overrode his objections to the brokers and operatives chosen by the White House for the secret arms dealings with Iran.

The CIA deputy director for operations, Clair George, said in testimony earlier this month before the committees investigating the Irancontra affair that Mr. Casey had begun to "wire around," or circumvent, subordinates who were unenthusiastic about the Iran dealings. Mr. George's testimony was declassified Wednesday by the com-

October at a House hearing. Mr. Fiers expressed regret that he had not told the legislators what Elliott Abrams, assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs, asserted that there was no U.S. government link to a cargo plane downed over Nicaragua that was owned by the private contra-supply network.

The House bearing in October was also attended by Mr. George. He and Mr. Fiers testified separate

TV Debates in U.S. Alter Tactics of '88 Campaign

By Thomas B. Edsall Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The strate-

gy and tactics of the 1988 presidential campaign have been substan-tially altered by a proliferation of televised debates planned for the coming months.

Among other effects, many election experts say, the debates are likely to counterbalance the advantage held by candidates with the most funds and draw more attention to issues and less to campaign At least 20 debates have been

scheduled for Democratic candidates before March 5, when 20 states will hold primary elections and caucuses. The Republicans have planned 14 such debates.

These televised tests of the candidates have in large part replaced siraw polls, or test votes, at state and local party gatherings.

The straw polls were a major force in the 1980 contest for the Republican nomination and in the 1984 Democratic campaign, but they have been nearly eliminated by the Democrats and sharply curtailed by the Republicans.

"We have very few ways to gauge the candidates," said Harrison Hickman, a Democratic poll-taker. "Opinion polls, which everyone knows are unreliable at this stage, and money are the only two measures we have other than debates."

On the Democratic side, a televised debate July | in Houston has proven to be an important event for two candidates, raising questionsabout former Governor Bruce Bab-

Bush Agrees To Take Part In TV Debate

WASHINGTON - Vice Preside a beorge Bush, criticized by otner Republican presidential candidates for refusing to join them in a national television debate Oct. 28, has decided to take part, according to his aides.

The debate, on the public network's "Firing Line" program, would be the first in which Mr. Bush, the party's front-runner for Other debates bave been held without him, and more are scheduled before Oct. 28. Mr. Bush's aides had said that he

oid not want to participate because Oct. 28 was too early. Mr. Bush is expecied to announce his candida-bates has come new strategies. Paul of senior administration officials of ior the nomination in October. Tully, who worked in Walter F. from the Pentagon and State Debut has not set a date.

He announced Tuesday in San Antonio that he would take part in the debate after discussing it with

"! know there has been considerable discussion about the Firing so they would have fewer re-Line' debate," Mr. Bush said in a source statement. "I bave been invited to participate in the debate by the sponsors who want to hold it in accept a sixth."

His campaign manager. Lee Atwater, said: "He allowed us to ary to negotiate and get dates that high-technology systems that can suited the campaign better, but it provide the media with immediate suited the campaign better, but it was his sense that the negotiations were stalled and he wanted to go evaluate candidate performances.

The debate in Houston, for exdebate regardless of the date, and he looks forward to it."

Israeli Heart Transplant Has Approval of Rabbis

The Assecuted Presi on Wednesday performed the first siveness, intelligence, knowledge heart transplant since the country's and a number of other factors. chief rabbis ruled in October that the operation does not violate jew-

Ovadia Masri 50, who received benefits to Mr. Simon. the leart of an unidentified youth. as in stable condition after the re-hour operation at Jerusalem's dudassah Hospital, the spokes coman said. Two other heart transriants have been performed in Israin 1968 and 1977, without approval of the rabbinate.



George's deputies, Alan Fiers, the said he felt any need to correct chief of the ClA's Central America them. Task Force. Mr. Fiers told the panels that he had extensive knowledge of the secret operations to aid the contras but kept silent about it last

The committees made public ly that they were taken aback by

candidacy of Senator Paul Simon

Mr. Babbitt and his aides have acknowledged that his performance in Houston was a setback. Major General Richard V. Secord. They have set time aside almost a retired air force officer who ar-daily to evaluate and practice television performance.

The strong liberal positions that Mr. Simon took on Nicaragua, 1ax(Dewcy) Clarridge, has told Cones and education during the debate gress that Mr. Casey would have extensive publicity.

Interviews with party and camal, but by no means unanimous, agreement on a number of likely consequences of the proliferation and into 1988. They include the

 Debates work to counterbalance the advantage of money. As the state primaries and caucuses have become increasingly bunched together early in the campaign year, including the 20 contests on March 8, the advantage has moved toward candidates equipped to raise large amounts of money to build organizations and to finance the costs of television.

But debates can counterbalance this advantage. "The debates are good for the underdog," said Charles Black, campaign manager for Representative Jack F. Kemp, Republican of

New York. "It provides exposure. They are a big part of our strategy for getting Jack known nationally." David Keene, a consultant to Senator Bob Dole, Republican of Kansas, agreed. "Regardless of a candidate's organization or money, he's at the same level as the other

guys," he said. "It obviously helps someone not in the front ranks." • The debates are drawing more attention to the issues. The earlier emphasis on straw polls forced media attention on questions of orga-nization, money and tactical maneavers. Candidates spent from \$75,000 to \$250,000 to mobilize supporters at state conventions to demonstrate the strength of their campaigns by winning the largely

meaningless contests. But debates already have forced the media to focus more on issues, and the differences among candidates on these issues, as well as on television style and mannerisms. Trade, for example, has become a central issue in the contest. After the debate in Houston, the trade the nomination, would participate issue became the focal point of a Other debates have been held with-dispute between two of the Democratic candidates, Governor Miand Representative Richard A. noted that Colonel North passed

Gepbardt of Missouri. • With the proliferation of de-Mondale's 1984 campaign, noted partment. I told Ollie, You ought that the straw polls in 1983 and to keep your mouth shut, you ought 1984 prompted Mr. Mondale to not to talk so much. employ a strategy of "winning evdown other potential competitors colonel North and even had re-

Bul Mr. Tully said that this year, with the large number of debates, "there is the ability to continue the Houston and, while I have already step-by-step building of an organiaccepted five debates, I am ready to zation while talking to large audi-

> • The role of debates may be magnified by the application of results" and hard numbers to

The debate in Houston, for example, was broadcast on a large screen at a meeting in Des Moines, lowa, of 85 potential participants in the Iowa Democratic caucuses. Each of the participants was given performance of the candidates. After the debate, the dial was used to JERUSALEM - Israeli doctors judge each candidate on his persua-

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Tuesday testimony by one of Mr. Mr. Abrams's remarks. Neither memo by an aide to the Iran-contra committees, released Tuesday and dated July 23, said the panel had been unable to confirm charges

"I could have been more forthcoming to the committee." Mr. Fiers said of the committee session last year, "but frankly, I was not going to be the first person to step up and do that. You may call that a cowardly decision, some may call it he knew at the hearing, at which a brave decision; it is a controversial decision. But so long as others who knew the details as much as were keeping their silence on this, I was going to keep my silence." At the same hearing last year, Mr. George said the CIA had no

role in the Nicaragua arms flights. He told the Iran-contra committees that he intended to say that the agency had no unauthorized role and that he believed the CIA was llowed to share intelligence with the supply network. Testimony before the committees has disclosed

that the CIA station chief in Costa Rica helped the supply operation by providing intelligence. In his comments on the Iran op-eration, Mr. George told the Irancontra committees on Aug. 5 and 6 that he believed that he was "playing the fool" in raising questions about both Manucher Ghorbanifar, the Iranian middleman, and

shipments to Iran. Another ClA official, Duane in Houston are widely believed to preferred to rely only on the CIA to have boosted his level of support in run the Iran dealings but that he Iowa, where the debate received felt its operatives would not go

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along, Mr. George's testimony supports paign strategists produced a gener-that contention, and he suggested to suggest that those who happen to that Mr. Casey and President Ronald Reagan had allowed their emoengaged in partisan politics."
Mr. Fiers said repeatedly that he tions about hostages held in the of debates through the rest of 1987 Middle East to overcome their judgment.

Mr. George said that wheo he learned Mr. Ghorbanifar was the only intermediary for dealings with Iran, he went to Mr. Casey and "did something I rarely did with the director." "I said: 'Bill, I am not going to

run this guy anymore, which means in our language 'I will not bandle him: he is a burn." Mr. George was also asked whether he had traveled to Central America and had told agency operatives to cover up their role in assisting the contras. He denied doing this and said it had been a "puzzlement" for him to learn that the agency's operatives in 1986

der in Honduras by helicopter. He also denied telling Joseph Fernandez, the CIA station chief in Costa Rica who passed information to the supply network, to limit his testimony to the Tower Commission, the presidential panel that

were engaged in flying supplies to

investigated the Iran-contra affair. Mr. Fernandez, has been described as an essential element in the supply network because he passed intelligence and messages between Lieutenant Colonel Oliver L. North and the contras.

Mr. Fiers also told the Iran-conara committees on Aug. 5 that: · As late as last November, the contras from an unnamed foreign country. The approach was made after Congress had approved a \$100 million contra aid package, because the agency believed it needed \$8 million to \$10 million more. The CIA intended to inform legislators if any money was given

 By the spring of 1986, he had a "pretty clear understanding" of what Colonel North was doing to chael S. Dukakis of Massachuseus support the Nicaraguan rebels. He out photographs of a secret airstrip in Costa Rica to a "whole gaggle"

• The CIA found out about the contra aid network directed by ports on some of the arms purchases for the contras as they happened. One CIA cable from March 1985, released by the committee Tuesday, noted that General Secord was buying arms through a Canadian broker who quoted him as saying that U.S. authorities would not stop the shipment because "he was one of them."

 The agency had information that aides to Eden Pastora Gomez, a contra leader eventually abandoned by the CIA, were heavily involved in drug trafficking. A



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Ritz Lumpkin, aunt of Cecilia Cichan, who survived the Detroit jetliner crash, holding the child's doll in a hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The doll, found in the wreckage, has been given to Cecilia in plastic to prevent infection.

Jet Survivor, 4, Is Told **Parents Died in Crash**

ANN ARBOR, Michigan - An aunt has broken the news to 4-yearold Cecilia Cichan that her parents and brother were killed in the Detroit crash of a Northwest Airlines jet, relatives said.

Cecilia asked what "never again" meant, said Pauline Ciamaichela. the girl's grandmother. "She didn't understand. She'll be asking

The girl is the sole survivor of the Aug. 16 crash, near Detroit Metropolitan Airport. She did not cry after being told Monday night she would never see her parents, Michael and Paula Cichan of Tempe. Arizona, or her 6-year-old brother, David. again. her grandmother

I look like a man with cancer?" he Cecilia's aunt. Rita Lumpkin. Mr. Casey died of brain cancer told the girl the news in her room at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in in May. At the time he made his Ann Arbor, Mrs. Lumpkin did not comments to Mr. Fiers he was reuse the words "dead" or "kuled." ceiving regular treatment for prossaid Anthooy Ciamaichela. the child's grandfather. "i walked out of that office that day thinking he didn't have can-

in an accident, and she would never blocks around the crash site.

Family members followed the advice of psychiat rists and psychologists on how to hreak the news to Cecilia, he said.

Cecilia remained in serious condition Wednesday, said John Turck, a hospital spokesman. The girl underwent skin grafts last week on her burned hands and legs. Meanwhile, a volunteer fire-

fighter who helped find Cecilia in the wreckage has been docked a day's pay by Northwest Airlines, which has accused him of not reporting to work with the airline the night of the crash, Dan Kish, who was the first to

hear the girl's cries the night of the crash, was listed as absent from his Northwest job even though his wife says she nutified an airline supervisor that he was working at the Mr. Kish's union has filed a

grievance on his behalf as well as for seven other workers docked for missing work because they were She told her that "they had been unable to get through police road-

daily, many said they had used the Lonetree case and reports that marines guarding the U.S. Embassy in Moscow had consorted with Russian women as object lessons.

about values that would help them resist the temptations that have led to such problems as military personnel spying for the Soviet Union. One of the most serious examing in bars. He told them. "Men. if ples in recent years was the convicyou ever wanted to lie to women. tion of Sergeant Clayton J. Lonethis is the time to do it.

tree of the marines on espionage charges.
While commanding officers say that the armed forces should not be an institution for social reform, the officers also say that they must compensate for what they believe are flaws in American life that keep young men and women from developing a sense of values.
Without training manuals to triot is susceptible to greed."

guide them, the commanders are testing their own solutions, from informal talks to off-post seminars on ethics to an emphasis on service traditions.

By Richard Halloran

New York Times Service

SAN DIEGO - The military

Recent testimony in the Irancontra hearings by Lieutenant Colonel Oliver L. North of the marines and Rear Admiral John M. Poindexter of the navy raised questions about military ethics. Colonel North admitted lying to Congress, and Admiral Poindexter, when accused by a member of the congressional committee of embracing untruth, did not deny it. But the officers interviewed said

that the ethical questions surrounding Colonel North and Admiral Poindexter applied largely to the officer corps and not to the enlisted ranks. They said the two officers were operating in a political world that was far distant from the daily routine of training enlisted people. The effort to instill values is es-

pecially keen in the marine corps. On the second day of basic training in San Diego there is a ritual known as "the moment of truth," A ser-geant stands before shorn recruits in a bleak room and goes over, line by line, information about their lives that they gave to recruiting sergeants.

The sergeant asks whether they have held back anything, a police record, drug abuse, bomosexuality, traffic violations. Officers said that about half of the recruits admit to something they had not disclosed. Most are granted waivers and become marines, the officers said,

but they said that the experience is a valuable lesson in playing things straight. The army, under Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr. and General John A. Wicknam Jr., then the chief of staff, declared 1986 "A Year of Values," emphasizing loy-

responsibility. In recent conversations with 30 cv ANSA reported.

When the hattahon of Lieutenant Colonei James L. Jones of the marines was in the Philippines last winter, he warned them about talk-

Lieutenant Commander Tommy Harger, a naval aviator who flies 14 fighters at the Miramar Naval Air Station near San Diego, said that his squadron, which is often deployed on aircraft carriers, made sure the radar and engine mechanics were made aware of the Soviet military threat because "a weak pa-

Lieutenant Commander Martha McWatters is the chief of a correctional unit in San Diego where sailors in trouble are sent to he "These are the quitters," she

said, "the people who quit their religion, quit their schools, quit their jobs. They came into the navy to try something else and now they want to quit again. She said that the main method for turning them around was to get them to establish goals, small goals at first, such as looking sharp for an

such as starting a program to gain a promotion in a speciality. "We don't rehash mistakes," she said, "but focus on what you're

inspection, then long-range goals,

going to do from now on."

At Fort Sill, Oklahoma, every platoon of 40 soldiers in the brigade to which that battalion beongs is taken away from the post to a state park for a day in which a chaplain leads a discussion of indi-

vidual and group values. Lieutenant Colonel Theodore R. Coberly, the commander of a training battalion at Fort Silt. said that "value training is part of basic training," including the Code of Conduct that every soldier must

Colonel Coberly said that he talked to every training class about "why you are here"

He also emphasized what he called "passive training aids," such as soldiers taking part in reurement parades, ceremonies of changes of command, raising and lowering the flag at post headquarters and having barracks and rifle ranges named for military heros.

Sardinia Loses Electricity The Associated Pro-

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A Flip-Flop on Inspection

At the Geneva arms talks, the Soviet goverament is demanding more in the way of 00-site inspection and the American government is demanding less. This marvelously ironic reversal of traditional positions is taking place in the negotiations on a treaty to ban medium- and short-range nuclear missiles - the treaty that is the likeliest candidate to become the Reagan administration's

first and perhaps only arms control accord. On-site verification, as distinguished from verification by "national technical means." has been an American aspiration for even longer than it has been a formal American negotiating demand. It has been seen as a safeguard against Soviet perfidy, and it has become central to the politics of arms control. That the Soviets long resisted on-site inspection, denouncing it as a mask for espionage and as a practice made unnecessary by satellite intelligence, tended to

confirm its value in many American eyes. But it is not simply that Mikhail Gorbachev, with his sudden strong favor for on-site inspection, has now called an American hluff. Officials explain, plausibly, that once the Kremlin agreed to elimination of intermediate-range missiles worldwide, and not just in Europe, the problems of verifying an agreement became simpler. Furthermore, they found that the Kremlin might resp

unacceptable intelligence advantage from "challenge inspections," the particular form of anywhere, anytime verification that the administration has most emphasized.

In fact, paralysis is a predictable result of applying high monitoring standards to reductions of the kinds of arms — small missiles or warheads, for instance, and chemical weapons - that defy such standards. Moreover, inspections of any sort cannot resolve the most common breed of Soviet-American arms control tensions: these flow not from limits on verification but from inadequate treaty texts or from open political defiance - for example, the Soviet radar at Krasnoyarsk.

The reversal in Geneva puts pressure on Ronald Reagan to reassure Americans stirred to wonder whether he is taking unnecessary risks, ft will probably be a source of some political embarrassment to a president who had sworn he would write a treaty inscribing comprehensive rights to search for hidden weapons. Still, the embarrassment is evidence of a realistic trend in official thinking. It would be much more than an embarrassment — it would be a scandal - if an American president allowed a particular notion of verification to get in the way of a useful treaty.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Listen to the Dolphins

up on the Atlantic coast between New Jersey and Virginia. This year 200 have died, their skin flaking off and their mouths pocked with ulcers. There have also been huge fish kills in Long Island Sound and Chesapeake Bay. Along much of the coast, bays and estuaries are under severe stress.

No one can yet be sure there is a single cause. Enormous tides of algae and ensuing fish kills are part of nature's cycle. The dolphins may have died from a disease, but a leading suspect for these massacres is pollution. Another factor may be another unusually hot summer, which some authorities fear may herald the predicted global warming known as the greenhouse effect.

Estuaries and bays are rich nurseries of marine life because of the outrients washed out from the land. Along the Atlantic coast there is now an excess of such nutrients from sewage, agricultural and urban runoff and the nitrogen in acid rain. Algae thrive on these nutrients, and when they die the decay consumes so much oxygen in the water that fish, shrimp and crabs perish.

Since the Clean Water Act of 1972, public authorities and business have spent some \$300 billion to combat pollution. What did

that money buy if the coast is now approaching an ecological crisis? Industrial pollution has been considerably reduced, and most towns now have secondary sewage treat-ment. Without the Clean Water Act, pollution would be far worse. But the act was amended only last year to address runoff from farms and streets, an important source of nitrogen. Sewage treatment degrades the bacteria that would otherwise consume oxygen, but it leaves untouched the nutrients in

sewage like nitrogen and phosphorus.
The states on Chesapeake Ray agreed this month to reduce by up to 40 percent the amount of nitrogen and phosphorus entering its waters. Studies are under way to see what emedy is required for Long Island Sound, but any plan is likely to be expensive.

More than 70 percent of all fish caught in the United States depend at some point on estuaries. By 1990 more than 75 percent of the U.S. population will live within 50 miles (80 kilometers) of the country's coasts. People will have to change habits to avoid destroying fish habitats. The Clean Water Act was only the first step needed to protect once-rich bays and estuaries. To understand the need for more, listen to the dolphins.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Families in a Democracy

Religion has not really been the issue in the Tennessee schoolbook case, but rather religious tolerance. The schools of Hawkins County, like many throughout America, use a certain series of textbooks to teach reading, and a group of parents objected. Passages in the books offend their religious beliefs, they argued, and expose their children to ideas repugnant to their own convictions -not only the theory of evolution cal range of writing that se them to have religious significance. That, they said, violates their rights under the First Amendment. Last fall a lederal judge agreed, ordering the county schools to ex-

cuse those children from reading classes.

Fortunately, the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals has now reversed that decision. The case is one of several involving school curricula and fundamentalist Christians' objections to them that are apparently on their way to the Supreme Court. The appeals court has performed the service of stating the question correctly and returning it to the American constitutional tradition from the byways into which it had drifted.

Most parents will feel a degree of sympathy with the plaintiffs in Hawkins County. Bringing up children requires a family to fight for its own values against the outside world, and it is oot only fundamentalist Christians who sometimes find themselves compelled to carry on that struggle with passionate energy. There are clearly limits

to the things to which the government, through the schools, can subject a child.

But, the appeals court held, Hawkins County did not overstep those limits. It could not have constitutionally required children to take part in a ritual - the salute to the flag, for example - that offended their religious beliefs. Nor could it have forced them to affirm views different from their own. But, the court said, it can require them Some of the assigned reading, the parents

objected, seemed to suggest that all religious were equally valid. One mother testified that she did not want her child encouraged to make critical judgments on those subjects for which the Bible provides the answer. Judge Pierce Lively replied with the useful distinction between religious and civil toleration. No child can be pressed to accept another's religion as true, but in a public school all religions do indeed have equal standing.
Judge Cornelia G. Kennedy went one

useful step further. Introducing students to complex and controversial social and moral issues" is, she held, essential preparation for citizenship. Parents cannot be allowed to pull their children out of these discussions, she wrote, because the public schools have a compelling interest in -a line from a Supreme Court decision a generation ago - promoting cohesion among a heteroge-

neous democratic people." - THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

West Germany Does It Better

Not only is West Germany strict and

vigilant about Nazi revivalism, but the economic, social and political problems which helped produce the original version hardly exist. A few hundred thousand out of 60 million read publications of the rabid right, and vote without effect for neo-Nazi splinter parties. Those seeking a real threat from the far right should look elsewhere, such as Italy, where neo-fascists regularly get into parliament with about seven percent of the total vote, or France, where Jean-Marie Le Pen's National Front, also in parliament, is currently given 17 percent in the opinion polls. Mr. Le Pen generally keeps to the parliamentary rules and does not lavor fascist symbols or call for political violence, but he peddles xenophobia and authoritarian policies which have not only tempted the ruling coalition of the right to try to outbid him but also split it over the question of whether to do political

deals with the National Front. If the price of liberty is eternal vigilance, the West Germans are streets ahead of the French.

- The Guardian (London). The Pope Reaches Out to Jews

Pope John Paul II's efforts to ease tensions between himself and Jews are welcome. His meeting in June with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim damaged relations between the pontiff and the worldwide Jewish community. Now, just before embarking on a trip to the United States, the pope has reached out to Jews in a letter released by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in which he encourages and blesses all "who foster relationships of mutual esteem and Iriendship" with Jews. It is a measure of the good will and respect that have surrounded this pope that his conciliatory efforts appear to be reaping a positive reaction.

- The Times-Picavane (New Orleans).

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OPINION



For Now, Soviet Jets Are Half an Hour Away

N EW YORK — Soviet motor, rifle and armored regiments in southwestern Afghanistan are separated from the Arabian Sea by only 560 kilometers (350 miles) of Iranian and Pakistani Baluchistan. Soviet engineers are busy building strategic infrastructures in Afghanistan whose function is clearly to mesh Afghanistan into the Soviet transport and defense systems.

Soviet aircraft overfly and monitor the Indian Ocean and the Gulf. From airbases in southern Afghanistan, Soviet strike aircraft and naval bombers can reach the Gulf in 30 minutes. Tankers entering and exiting the Gulf must pass into the Arabian Sea where they come within striking distance of the Baluchi coast - the very same Baluchi coast that has been the ultimate goal of southern Soviet expansion since the days of the czars.

Theoretically, the objectives of a Soviet thrust southward would be the well developed Iranian port of Chah Bahar, or, perhaps more likely, the Paki-stani port at Gwadar, Still only a fishing village, Gwadar possesses, as does Chah Bahar, a unique geographical feature. Within 180 meters (600 feet) of the shoreline, the ocean bed drops dramatically to a depth of almost 180 meters. Construction of a mole from the shore to these deep waters would convert these ports into major naval bases, offering a sheltered anchorage and support complex for even the largest warships. It is no surprise, then, that Soviet strategists are aware of Baluchistan's importance and vulnerability. It is believed to be defeaded by only two Pakistani infantry divisions.

The need for assured Soviet access to Gulf oil is highlighted by the economic costs and environmental difficulties which almost make prohibitive the exploration and development of potential Sibe-rian reserves unless oil prices reach levels several

By Arthur Ross and Eric Margolis

times higher than presently prevailing. Even then

the level of supply is problematical.

In the meantime, production from existing areas is level to declining, against a backdrop of increasing needs. For example, Soviet automobile registration for 1985 amounted to only 11,737,000, with production at 1,332,000 annually, in comparison to registration in America of 132,108,164, and production of 8 million. Thus it is evident that the Soviet Union s only on the brink of the automobile age. There will be increasing need of oil for transporta-

tion purposes, apart from rising demand for the creation of energy, hear and petrochemicals. Only the exportable oil reserves of the Gulf can fill long-term Soviet needs which parallel those of the West. Few people oow imagine that the Soviets will make the last 560-kilometer push to reach the long-coveted warm waters. The current regime of Mikhail Gorbachev appears to be in a stage of tactical transition in which inward attention to economic

problems takes precedence over foreign involve-ments. But there is a clear pattern of territorial expansion in Soviet history, particularly southward, While the cautious Soviets would certainly be extremely wary of provoking a major superpower confrontation in Southwest Asia or in challer Washington's stated resolve to defend Pakistan, the shimmering warm waters of the Gulf are a tantaliz-ing prize of the greatest strategic value. The long-term economic imperatives driving the Soviets to-ward reliance on Gulf oil are also inescapable.

Ports and air bases on the Baluchi coast would provide the Soviet Union with military parity - or lines of supply connecting with mainland Russia, the growing Soviet naval power finally would achieve its maximum usefulness with access to the

Indian Ocean, the African continent and beyond. U.S. policy should be to assist the government of Mohammed Zia ul-Haq toward greater liberaliza-tion and a reinforcement of its pro-Western orientation. Then a truly bold and innovative Western strategy might be to gain access to military facilities along the Arabian Sea coastline in cooperation with Pakistan. A joint NATO or American-Pakistani naval and air base at Gwadar would do much to prevent a future imbalance of military power in the area. Along with the U.S. facility at Diego Garcia,

Pakistan itself would be considerably strengthened.
It has taken the Russians almost 700 years to reach the border with Baluchistan. What happens on the Baluchi coast in the next five years could well shape the future of much of Africa and Asia. The Soviets are obviously strengthening their role in this area and establishing options for them-selves. There is no evidence that the United States is making similar proparations.

Resolution of this problem may very well have to

wait for an overall global understanding between the two superpowers. Meanwhile, it is necessary to cope with the military and political aspects of the Arabian Sea and Persian Gulf areas so that access to oil reserves is not threatened and the ultimate negotiation recognizing Soviet needs can be carried out by the West from a position of strength.

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more - in relation to Gulf oil. Operating on interior China: Relations With Tokyo Can Be Upsetting

those moves coincided with a strong

right-wing resurgence in Japanese

politics. The nationalist lobby in To-

symbols in the classrooms; textbook

revisions to tone down references to Japan's former misdeeds; semi-offi-

cial recognition for the Yasukuni Shrine, which used to serve as the

gained muscle, thanks largely to Tai-

The sight of Mr. Hn embracing

wan's stunning economic success.

Mr. Nakasone, who was himself an

active nationalist in the past, would

not have gone down well with the

anti-Japan lobby in Beijing True, Mr. Nakasone has tried hard to tone

down most of the more offensive of

the national affronts to China. In

particular, he has halted official visits

to the Yasukuni Shrine. But none of

One authoritative report in Tokyo

says that Mr. Hu was denounced by

his critics as a tool of the Japanese, in

the same mold as the notorious war-

time puppet leader, Wang Ching-wei. If true, Mr. Hu was in much more

trouble over his Japan policy than

The role that sensitivity to Japan

plays in Chinese politics is insufficiently realized. In the mid-1960s, too, Chinese

moderates found their efforts at bridge-

building sabotaged by pro-Taiwan ele-ments in Japan's ruling Liberal Demo-

cratic Party. One theory has it that the backlash in China could have trig-

Currently, the main thorn in rela-

tions is an ugly dispute over the fate of China's legal claim to a small hos-

tel in Kyoto, registered back in 1953

in the name of the Nationalist Chi-

oese government in Taiwan, Beijing

has protested vigorously against a

Japanese court decision to leave the

hostel with the Nationalist govern-

ment. In 1972, Japan recognized Bei-

jing as the only legal government in China, and Tokyo's refusal to force

the courts to accept this amounts.

Beijing says, to a tacit recognition of

Taiwan and an attempt to create a

China's anger plays straight into

"two-Chinas" situation

gered the Cultural Revolution.

anyone realized at the time.

this was enough to save Mr. Hu.

T OKYO — The continuing slump in Chinese-Japanese relations is puzzling. Both countries would seem

to have everything to gain from closer ties. Yet what at first seemed like minor hiccups in relations are threatening to become a major upheaval.

Beijing's complaint list against To-

kyo is a long one. It is also rather thin in places. The Chinese say that Japanese businessmen exploit their country, that they make large trade profits and undertake little serious invest-ment, But it was reckless purchases in the years before 1986, by semi-autonomous authorities around China, that created the fat trade profits. And Beijing still does little to ease the bureaucratic obstacles that deter so many Japanese and other investors in China. Beijing says it objects to Tokyo's

By Gregory Clark gross national product. It says it sees

militarism reviving. But in an earlier, anti-Soviet mood, China welcomed Japan's defense policies. Meanwhile, Tokyo complains about the way China manipulates various factions in Japan to promote its own side of these and other disputes.

It is all a far cry from the ambitious plans of the mid-1980s, when China's former Communist Party chief, Hu Yaobang, and Japan's prime minister, Yasuhiro Nakasone, were exchanging visits and setting up committees that were to exchange thousands of students annually and guarantee close relations through the 21st century.

What went wrong? Conventional wisdom says that the problems are all breaking of a promise to keep milipart of the anti-liberalism crackdown tary spending to within 1 percent of in the wake of Mr. Hu's fall from

China: Attacking Intellectuals Can't Be Good for Confidence

ONCE again intellectuals are under attack in China. That is not unusual, but this time it contradicts the political signals from Beijing.

In the past, a purge of intellectuals usually coincided with the ascendancy of more conservative leaders and their policies. Now it appears that the re-formers, led by Deng Xiaoping and Zhao Ziyang, the prime minister and acting party chairman, have checked the conservatives and their campaign against "bourgeois liberalization" beearlier this year. That campaign led to the dismissal of Hu Yaobang as the party's general secretary.

From all appearances, the reformers to introduce political revisions in October at the 13th party congress. There they intend to pass legislation to reduce the party's role in the economy and to separate party functions from the day-to-day running of the government, although the party would continue to formulate overall policies.

Editorials in the party newspaper, the People's Daily, no longer condemn bourgeois liberalization and "West-ernized" intellectuals. Today the obstacles to reform are "ossified" thinking and inflexible party bureaucrats.

Why does the party purge intellectuals who have out into this ossification? Among them are a popular playwright, Wu Zuguang, and well known ideological theorists. Chief among these are Wang Ruoshui, former deputy editor of the People's Daily, and Su Shaozhi. director of the Institute for Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought, They have reinterpreted Marxism to make it more responsive to a new age.

The attack on these intellectuals indicates that a conflict between conservatives and reformers is going on for supremacy at the party congress.

Perhaps Mr. Deng has again found it expedient to give in to the conserva-tives' demands in the intellectual realm in order to get his reforms in the economic realm, and now in the political realm. He may be more than willing to purge a handful of nagging intellectuals who demand democratic reform when what he wants are merely administra-tive reforms that serve his economic program. But such trade-offs in the past have placated the conservatives only briefly and have harmed reforms more than they have helped them.

Mr. Deng initially went along with the conservatives in the campaign against bourgeois liberalization, even to the point of dismissing his protege Mr. Hu. But he pulled back when the conservatives expanded their aim into the economy. A similar dynamic may occur this time. The conservatives have never been satisfied with purging just a small number of intellectu

The long-terin effect may be even more damaging to Mr. Deng's reforms. The regime is trying to recruit intellectuals into the party in the hope of transforming it from a relatively uneducated political elite into an intellectual-technocratic elite. The purge of highly respected intellectuals makes that aim all the more difficult.

Students abroad might find it easier to stay where they are without lear of arbitrary political attack. Already there are signs that a growing number are reluctant to return home.

— Merk Goldman, professor of Chinese history at Boston University, writing in The New York Times.

a long sideways glance at Mr. Naka-sone, they say that Japan has kowpower. But the true story could be that towed too long to Beijing's unreasonable demands. The Chinese should be Mr. Hu's fall was the result, not the cause, of the problems in relations. Suspicion of Japan still runs deep told firmly that Japan is a democratic in many Chinese leaders, and not just nation in which the independence of among the hard-liners. Many rememthe judiciary is respected. ber the war years and the humiliations at the hands of nationalist-

For the most part, the government has gone along with this line, in par-ticular the Foreign Ministry, which, minded Japanese just one generation removed from the present generation. in recent years, has moved to a sur-Mr. Hu's enthusiastic attempts to prisingly hard-line position in relaforge an alliance with Japan ran tions with the Communist nations. roughshod over these memories.
Worse for Mr. Ho was the fact that

the hands of Japanese rightists. With

Tokyo's position is not without flaws. The government, with much assistance from the Foreign Ministry, intervenes regularly to have civil suits against U.S. bases rejected, on the kyo has gained significant ground in recent years: the revival of nationalist grounds that Japan has a treaty obligation to accept the bases. When Ja-pan recognized Beijing in 1972 it was taken for granted that official Na-tionalist Chinese assets should be handed over to Beijing.

As for Mr. Nakasone, once again focus for prewar militarism. The ever powerful Taiwan lobby also has he finds himself between a rock and a hard place. But this time he has gooe no further in Beijing's directioo than to say that his government will voice an opinioo on the hostel issue if that opinion is sought by the courts. However, he did force the early retirement of a top Foreign Ministry official who had angered Beijing by saying, off the record, that China's senior leader, Deng Xiao-ping, had lost touch with reality.

And so the stalemate continues: Two Asian giants who share the same cultural background but have very different national personalities are pened before. Let's hope the results are less painful this time. International Herald Tribune.

Iran-Contra: **Much Left** To Unravel

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — Here are a few loose ends left after the Iran-contra hearings that a committee report, a special prosecutor or an enterprising journalist may clear up.

The Unfound Finding. John Poin-

dexter has confessed that he de-stroyed the first arms-for-hostages presidential "finding." which Presi-dent Reagan signed on Dec. 12, 1985. dent Reagan signed on Dec. 12, 1953.
That legal document had been drafted by Stanley Sporkin, then the CIA general counsel and now a federal judge, at the insistence of the deputy director of the CIA, John McMahon and John McMa hon, who was soon eased out of the agency by Bill Casey for this sort of agency by Bill Casey for this adherence to proper form. "Judge Sporkin drafted the finding," a high federal official who is learned in the law writes to me, "at the request of a senior CIA official to assure compliance, nune pro tune, with Section 2422 of Title 22 of the U.S. Code."

"Nunc pro tune" is not the name of a Vietnamese spy: the Latin phrase means "now for then" and in this case refers to the president's retroactive approval of a violation of law, thereby making it legal. My unidentifiable correspondent then

poses a line of questioning:

"Who physically handed the linding to the president for his signature?" (Let us presume it was Administrative). ral Poindexter. Were they alone?)
"How many counterparts did the president sign?" (That is legalese for "copies"; rarely in government is there one copy of anything.) "Why did Admiral Poindexter keep the signed finding in his safe?" (It seems obvious: so nobody else would see it.)
"Was the CIA official, who requestthe finding, furnished a signed

We will realize how little we knew of the truth.

counterpart or an authenticated copy?" (Hmm; presumably not, or the committee would have made it public. Strange that the CIA deputy would have laid his job on the line by demanding the finding and then would not have asked to see it. He would have had to be a very trusting soul to take anybody's word for its existence.)

"If the CIA was not furnished a signed counterpart or authenticated copy, was the agency effectively hostage' to Admiral Poindexter?" That suggests that the national security adviser may have had a document under his sole control that could keep the top CIA officials from prosecution. Why was that signed retroactive approval "undocketed" if Section 201 of Title

44 of the U.S. Code requires records be kept of all presidential documents?

The Robertson-North Dispute. "In 1985 I was in the Page Airplane Terminal in Washington, D.C.," the televangelist and presidential candidate Pat Robertson told a delegation of young Republicans and later repeated to reporters, "and I ran into a friend of some years whose name was Colonel Oliver North. And Ollie said to me, 'I'm going to Iran to negotiate the release of some of our hostages. Would you please pray for me?"

A few days later, according to Mr. Robertson, he told President Reagan, "I understand a member of your official familiy has left for Iran to discuss the negotiations for the release of the hostages." He said the president re-plied that he did not want to conduct

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negotiations in the newspapers. If true, that would be a stunner: It places Colonel North in the process of arranging a trip six months before be went to Iran. It would reveal that he leaked to an uncleared preacher one of America's most closely held secrets.

"I do not recall that conversation." Colonel North testified in answer to questioning about this by Senator Sam Nunn. He claimed that he was not planning a trip to Tehran when Mr. Robertson says they met on Sept. 13, 1985. "I'm not even sure that's a quote from Reverend Robertson."

Something is very fishy about this. Mr. Robertson does not return calls from ungodly pundits, but I do not think he created this story out of thin air. What would be his motive in lying, or in getting his friend Oliver North in grave trouble for divulging secrets withheld from Congress? The people who support Mr. Robertson and also revere Colonel North are going to have trouble here.

Why do we bother our heads with such mini-mysteries? Why not just move on, as the president suggests? Because much more is to be learned different national personalities are pushing themselves willy-nilly into a nit-picking confrontation. It has hapwill look back at today and realize how little we knew of the truth.

The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1912: Spying in Crimea ODESSA - A despatch from Sebastopol states that within the last week concurrently with the proclamation

of martial law, some sixty secret agents of the political police have arrived in the Crimean naval port from St. Petersburg. They are met in all resorts usually frequented by liberty men ashore from the warships, and also in the naval officers' casino. Curiously enough, however, says the writer of the despatch, the efforts of these spies to gain the friendly confidence of the suspected seamen and petty officers have so far signally failed. By some inexplicable means or fore-knowledge their disguises are easily penetrated by the wary bluejackets whom they have under surveillance. A retired naval officer has assured me that the disaffection among the fleet crews is a much graver matter than the authorities care to acknowledge.

1937: Mellon Dies at 82 NEW YORK - Andrew William Melion. Secretary of Treasury under Presidents Warren G. Harding, Calvin Coolidge and Herbert Hoover, and rated one of the world's wealthiest men, died at the home of his son-inlaw, David K. Bruce, at Southampton. L.I. late this evening [Aug. 26]. Mr Mellon was eighty-two years old. In Iailing health for some time, he became so ill last week that he was unable to leave the home of his son-inlaw whom be had been visiting he return to Pittsburgh. During his term as Secretary of the Treasury, which lasted cleven years — the second long. est in the history of the United State. - Mr. Mellon frequently was called "the greatest Secretary of the Treasury since Alexander Hamilton." He was reputed to be the fourth richest man in the world. He willed his \$19,000,000 art collection to the nation a year ago.



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After an Airliner Crashes, The Good News Remains

By George F. Will

WASHINGTON — To the accusation that they report only bad news, journalists reply: We can't be expected to report planes that land safely. But when a crash crystallizes anxiety about air safety, journalism should stress the news — yes, news — that flying is astonishingly safe.

Travel on U.S. commercial airlines is

the safest form of transportation ever devised. Considering the bazards to pedestrians though the ages — prehistoric ugers, medieval brigands and today's muggers — flying is much safer than walking. And it has been becoming safer. The fatality rate per flying hour in the United States in 1986 was about in the United States in 1986 was about half what it was in 1978.

That drop coincided with deregulation, which dropped fares and democratized air travel. In 1967, only 10 percent of the American population had ever flown. Last year alone, 31 percent of the adult population flow. In 1078, 275, miles adult population flew. In 1978, 275 million flew. This year, 450 million will.

The irrational fear of flying involves a mistaken apprehension of midair colliplanes that are 98 percent of all aircraft. Their operators constitute an upscale and ferocious lobby in defense of the sovercign American right to be mobile. They are not apt to he grounded. But they, too, have a remarkable safety record.

Still, as a safety expert says, it is possible to skate successfully on thin ice hut is better to skate on thick ice. Increased vigilance and spending are in order. The post-deregulation proliferation and then merging of airlines (today nine American carriers have 90 percent of the passengers; at 15 major airports, one carrier has at least 50 percent or two have at least 70 percent of the business) has caused financial and morale problems that are producing maintenance and operational problems. Today safety

is being purchased by sacrificing service.
Delays are inevitable due to the rising ratio of metal to tarmac: The number of planes is increasing much more rapidly than airport facilities. Everyone wants more airports; no one wants one next door. American government is a thicken-

7 Put the Crash in Perspective

The only way to be completely safe is to remain perfectly stationary. But since that is contrary to the human spirit and the laws of nature, living itself always will entail risk. This recognition in no way percent — approximately 12,000 — of diminishes the tragic loss of life in the last year's 19,796 homicides. That onecrash of Northwest Airlines flight 255 on takeoff from Detroit en route to Phoenix. But on Aug. 16, when flight 255 crashed in flames, almost an equal number of people died in automobile accidents on America's highways and city streets.

- The Arizona Republic (Phoentx).

ing web of blocking mechanisms, and people are increasingly skillful and aggressive in using them, principally courts, to styrnie action. Los Angeles, Chicago, Miami and other cities need new airports. but there probably will be no major airport built in the foreseeable future.

The problem is not money. There is a surplus of \$5.6 billion in the Aviation Trust Fund - tax dollars not at work. The money is put there by users of the air system, principally travelers who pay an 8 percent excise tax on tickets. The politics of "deficit reduction" causes the administration and Congress to hoard the trust fund so as to avoid adding a drop to the bucket of red ink.

This is preposterous parsimony in an air system short of controllers and the remarkable technology for early warning of wind shears, the cause of three crashes that have killed 404 people since 1975. If another such crash occurs because available technology was not purchased, there will be blood on the hands of all those who have made cheese-paring conserva-tism the doctrine of this decade.

Unsound policies, and posturing as a substitute for policy, flourish when the public has irrational risk perceptions. Journalism often manufactures these.

Facts about AIDS filter slowly through the fog of media-driven alarm. facts such as reports from the Centers for Disease Cootrol that there is no evidence that AIDS will reach epidemic proportions among beterosexuals other in intravenous drug abusers.

Because highway and handgun carnage is constant and spread across the confinent, the caruage is not as telegenic or newsworthy as rare air tragedies.

But journalism should do justice to the fact that last year the average daily death rate from automobile accidents in the United States was 126. The average Sunday toll was probably higher than the 156 killed in the recent Detroit air crash. Any politician inflaming public anxiety by de-claiming about the "crisis" in air safety should be asked how he voted on increasing from 55 to 65 miles (88 to 104 kilometers) per hour the speed limit on rural interstate highways. That change will have the predictable result of producing far more fatalities each year than will result from airplane mishaps.

Suicide and homicide together are, after accidents and cancer and heart disease, the fourth leading cause of American deaths. Guns were involved in 61 total of gun-related homicides is nearly double the number of fatalities from all accidents in the history of U.S. commercial aviation. Lawmakers who will not control handguns should not fly around making speeches about air safety.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

reconcile calls for sanctions on the one hand and higher wages on the other.

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coal mines, where a high degree of mech-anization is possible, compare favorably

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St.-Tropez, France.

with those in America and Europe.

Black miners are not herded into bar-

The Mining Industry Doesn't Represent Apartheid

In the strike by 40 percent of South supports their role, although it cannot Africa's black mineworkers, it is quite wrong and harmful to cast the National Union of Mineworkers as pitted against apartheid in the form of the Chamber of Mines and its member companies. Yet our reading of overseas press reports shows that this is a popular interpretation, all too often supported by misleading statements — as in your opinion page item by Coretta Scott King, "Support the Strike and Tough Sanctions" (Aug. 17).

The mining industry represents free enterprise, not apartheid, and while it has no political stance, it has negotiated with the government on a number of issues — with some success — designed to free the economy from racial barriers. It made a major input toward the recog-nition of black trade unions, and still

St.-Tropez in the Summer

Regarding "The New St.-Tropez: Top-less but Also Bardot-less" (Aug. 20):

We have been spending our summer vacations in St.-Tropez for the last 15 years. Never more than this year bave we noticed that the situation was becoming alarming. We are really surprised to read that Dr. Jean-Michel Couve, the mayor, is trying hard to "upgrade" the town's clientele. You can hardly do so by allowing boxing matches, corridas and so forth to take place regularly. Not only do such events aspbyxiate the city with cars, they invite a lot of disruptive elements to come and spend a few hours.

Not long ago, St.-Tropez was the most selective and secluded resort on the Côte d'Azur. Today it bas joined ranks with other unfortunate city-resorts that litter note: Property values are still among the

Chamber of Mines of South Africa. Johannesburg the coast. Mayor Couve is right to say that people with real spending power have left or have holed up in their villas.

I enjoyed reading the obligatory annual article about St.-Tropez and its decline. It has the usual references to Colette, Françoise Sagan and Brigitte Bardot, and tells how a sleepy fishing village became a cheap, glitzy T-shirt-selling tourist mecca of 110,000 daily in the summer while the big-money people flee to their villas in the hills in despair. I gather that the writer mainly visited e crowded port, which has the same relationship to this many-tiered town that Times Square has to New York.

For future versions of this piece, please

highest in Europe and rise yearly, with a million-dollar villa now considered smallisb; there are other industries besides fishing — the visitor ought to ootice some vineyards - and a French naval factory is the largest single employer. This is a delightful community all year long although, granted, we permanent residents tend to huddle around our pools in July

accident fatalities at American mines and August to avoid tourists in town.
It's Pampelonne beach (not Pamplowith those at South Africa's is to ignore na), and it and Tahiti beach are not the instance, are only a fraction of the depth best beaches around. (I'm not telling of our gold mines, which average three which are.) The topless custom did not kilometers (1.9 miles). The figures for our start in 1964 but a good decade earlier, MORTON PUNER. St.-Tropez, France.

Call in the United Nations

I was pleased to see, in Edwin M. You Slice It. You're Hooked" (Sparts, Aug. 6), that attention has finally been drawn to the bane of golf addiction, long perceived as a benign malady but now seen increasingly as one of the more pernicious consequences of British imperialism. The instances of the United Nations that deal with narcotics and human rights should include golf on the list of danger-

ous addictions, and classify it as slavery. Centers could be set up for the destruction of cult objects such as handicap cards, golf clubs and trophies. Provision might have to be made for the obtaining of golf balls on prescription, to prevent the illegal sale of these items. But Mr. Yoder's idea for an organization along the lines of Alcoholics Anonymous, in which addicts would meet to discuss their traumas, won't work. They would end up, as usual, lying about their scores.

A.T. JENNINGS.

It Was a Special Cup of Tea, For the Simplest of Reasons

By Kedar Nath

BERLIN — It was an oppressively warm mid-February night. There was about an hour to go before I got my connection with the Madras Mail. I was the southwest Indian state of Kerala.

MEANWHILE

food did not penetrate through the leaf to and today - today there are three colyour hand, although you felt it all the more in your mouth as you ate.

The assistant behind the counter, a young chap with a few wisps of hair on his chin, asked me in broken English: "Your home, please?"
"Delhi," I replied, adding, "One tea

That's right."

"Where are you going?"
"Now to Madras, from there to Delhi."

"What's the purpose of your journey?"
"Seeing friends." "Why aren't you traveling with your

family?" he asked with a look of surprise.
"I'll do so next time." Then you will get more enjoyment out of your trip. What business are you in?" During the past few days in the south I had often been asked such questions by strangers. Once you satisfied their curiosity they were ready to tell you all you

So now I made my standard reply. a white lie: "Income tax law."
"Hmm." And the man said something to his assistant in Malayalam, the language of Kerala, Then, turning to me:
"I am the proprietor of the stall,

wanted to know, no matter how personal.

would like to serve you personally. He dropped the empty plantain leaf into a bin and was on the other side of the couoter the next minute. The inner walls of the stall were bung with portraits. I pointed to one that showed a very young man with three horizontal head, carrying a trident, "Who is that?" I asked.

"It is Subrahmanya, the war god, as a boy," the stall-keeper answered. "You in the north probably call him Karttikeya,"

He explained two other pictures, whose subjects I did not tell him I knew: Ganapau, the elephant-headed god of fortune and learning, and Sarasvati, goddess of the creative arts, with a four-stringed musical instrument called the vina, Then he indicated portraits representing the saintly swami Vivekananda, the philosopher Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and national

With a grateful bow, I sipped the tea. "Good?" he asked.
"Yes," I said, "First class."

connection with the Madras Mail. I was As we got to chatting about this and in the railway station at Quilon, a town in that, I asked what sort of place Quilon was. "Well, it is a big commercial city," he I stopped at a tea-and-coffee stall on told me. "As a seaport it has quite a the platform. A thin, long-haired man history. In olden times it had dealings next to me was having a snack off a with the Persians, Arabs, Greeks and plantain leaf. It was still a novel sight to Romans. Marco Polo called it Coilum in me. I had discovered that the heat of the his books. The Portuguese were the first European traders to land here. They were followed by the Dutch in 1662. And the Dutch were followed by the English. Yes,

> leges in the city. And perhaps you know that the cashew nuts of Quilon are fam-ous all over the world." "They sell cheap, I hope."
> "Nothing is cheap these days except
> the words of our politicians," be said.

I had finished my tea.

The man beside me paused in his eating. "Oh, you are from Delhi?" be asked with sudden interest.

"The man beside me paused in his eating. "Oh, you are from Delhi?" be asked with sudden interest.

"The man beside me paused in his empty cup down on the counter.

"You pay nothing," be replied.

"But I must. I enjoyed the tea, after all."

"It is on me." But you don't know me." "You seem to be a nice man," he replied. "Isn't that enough?"

"It's too much. Do please let me pay." He shook his head firmly. "In no case." I returned the money to my wallet and said, "fi's been a pleasure being your guest. Tell me, what makes you so kind to

someone you have never seen before?"
"Me kind? Oh, no!" be gave a modest smile. "It is just that I fast every Tuesday. Fasting, as you know, is good for the soul and for the body, too. It is a method of telling the body that I am its master and not other way round."

"And that makes you generous, too?"
"The matter is quite simple. What to
do with the money I save on food on the
fast day? It won't be moral to spend it on myself. So I use it like this: I give free tea or coffee to a different man every day." To your friends as well?"

"Never," he declared. That would mean impressing them with my good-ness: that would be like doing something for profit, direct or indirect. And only an action that is selflesss can be virtuous. lines of sandalwood paste on his fore- For this reason I offer a cup of tea to a total stranger, whenever that is possible.

> Mr. Nath is an Indian writer based in Berlin. He contributed this article to the International Herald Tribune.

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GENERAL NEWS

NEW YORK: After 10 Years, South Bronx Remains the Archetypal Slum

(Continued from Page 1).

nearly one in four, that had given opportunity to earlier generations unskilled workers.

But some blame the city for reducing services deliberately to depopulate the area for urban renewal -- "planned shrinkage," officials called it.

Others say rent control has made repairs uneconomical for land-

lords. Sull others blame the banks: landlords and business owners who were unable to obtain mortgages found it more profitable to torch their buildings and collect insur-

drugs, teen pregnancy, the cumula-tive demoralizing effect of generanons on welfare. Fernando Ferrer, the new Bronx horough president, remembers Mr.

Social plagues are a clear factor:

We were so bappy," he said. "It is not every day a president comes into a blighted neighborhood. He made a commitment to rebuild, but it seemed nobody was behind it. It

turned out to be rhetoric. The South Bronx was left to twist slowly, slowly in the wind for a long Six months after Mr. Carter's trip Mayor Edward I. Koch and Deputy Mayor Herman Badillo announced a \$1.5 billion plan to re-

vive the Bronx and build a 732-unit rental complex on Charlotte Street. But instead, the White House was talking about "leveraging" a few million in federal funds in hopes of attracting private enter-

prise — a few job programs here, a federal office building there. Mayor Koch brought in Edward
J. Logue, who guided major redevelopment projects in New Haven,

Connecticut, and Boston. In July 1980 Mr. Logue unveiled new South Broax plan - this time to create 25,000 new and rehabilitated owner-occupied apart-ments, in hopes of bringing back middle-class blacks and Hispanics who had fled the decay; extensive industrial and commercial space;

10,000 new jobs; and 193 recreation facilities at a total cost of \$20 million a year for seven years.

But by then, cynicism had set in. When Mr. Reagan alighted on Charlotte Street as a candidate in August 1980 to criticize Mr. Carter's urban policy, he was confronted by residents shouting. "You ain't gonna do nothing! Go back to

Mr. Reagan confrooted the hecklers, saying, "I can't do a damn thing for you if I don't get elected!"

Once elected, Mr. Reagan began dismantling federal housing pro-grams on which Mr. Logue's South Bronx Redevelopment Organization was relying. Nationwide, fund-ing has dropped by 58 percent since 1981, from \$26 billion a year to \$11

"There was a piddling amount of money" left for the Bronx, Mr. Logue said. "I know how to rebuild a

city, but I can't do it with mirrors." Despite drastically reduced government programs, a Democratic machine that stymied development and a city bureaucracy tangled in red tape, Mr. Logue nonetheless left one tangible, if somewhat bizarre legacy. Ninety-one aluminum-sided, single-family homes. surrounded by quarter-acre lawns

and white fences, are being built on Charlotte Street: a surreal bit of suburbia surrounded by scorched

But with the last homes still unhousing and urban development, Samuel R. Pierce Jr., ended the to distribute it among other groups. speaker put it.

The group that got the most -chairman in the Bronx, Stanley Friedman, who was recently sentenced to 12 years in prison for bribery and racketeering, and Ramon Velez, a political boss wbo controls thousands of jobs and votes in the Puerto Rican community. A few weeks later, Mr. Velez. a Democrat, endorsed Mr. Reagan

for re-election. Amid the corruption and decay. scattered signs of bope and struggle

Some of the once-opulent art deco buildings on the Grand Concourse, the main avenue of the Bronx, are being renovated.

A Roman Catholic priest, the Reverend Louis Gigante, has built parish over the last eight years.

Youth gangs that terrorized the Bronx in the 1970s have mostly

In the basement of St. Anselm's church one recent evening, 300 der construction, Mr. Logue is long blacks and Hispanics from 30 par-gone. In 1984, the U.S. secretary of ishes, Baptist and Catholic, gathishes, Baptist and Catholic, gathered to organize a rally. The group, South Bronx Churches, has taised South Bronx Redevelopment Orga- \$800,000 to develop a grass-roots nization's \$1 million annual grant. lobby to "take charge!" as one

But the task is daunting, even for \$561,000 - was a consortium run a group that has organized similar by a former Democratic Party efforts in Brooklyn, Oucens, Baltimore and other places.

"I have never seen this level of disintegration in a community," said James Drake, a veteran orga-

Tomorrow: Corruption is deeple ingrained in Boom Town.

■ Two Set Ablaze in Park

The police said a homeless man and woman were set on fire early Wednesday by five youths who doused them with a flammable liquid as they were sleeping in Brook lyn's Prospect Park, The Associat

ed Press reported. The woman was admitted to a hospital and the man was treated 1,800 apartments in his burned-out and released. The police said they

TITANIC: Salvage Efforts in Atlantic Stir Controversy

(Continued from Page I) taken on a world tour after a worldwide television spectacular Oct. 28

in Monte Carlo. The term we use is 'docutainment'" he said.

He said that people do not always watch documentaries without some drama to them, and while "we're not doing 'Ben Hur' by any means, we're happy to have a bit of

The more than 60 reporters and cameramen present, however, kept returning to the "exploitation" theme, chafing the patience of Mr.

Chappaz and Mr. Tulloch, and of Robert Slavitt, the general counsel

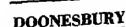
of Oceanic Research. "Look," Mr. Slavitt said, "in a sense everything in America is exploitation, because most people in this country are trying to make a profit. And that's perfectly proper. You people have written articles about the Titanie to sell newspapers. Is that exploiting the Ti-

He added that there was "almost "Yet," be said "nobody calls of "grave robbing."

that exploiting the Holocaust." That drew a protest from an unidentified reporter in a yarmulke, who declared Mr. Slavitt's compar-

ison to he "obscene" and demand-

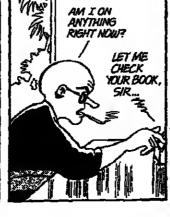
ed an apology. He did not get it. While scientists at the Institute for Research and Exploitation Beneath the Sea, the French agency whose submarine, ships and scientists are performing the undersea work, have sought to keep the focus a book a week written about the on the technology used in their mis-Holocaust, and their authors expect to make a reasonable profit."













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For Orthodox Patriarch, a Reconciliation Mission to Soviet

MOSCOW — He travels through Moscow in a motorcade of ern Christianity. black sedans. In his retinue they talk of "bilateral relations," "prototal problems" and "rapproche-

If the visit of Patriarch Dimitrios i, leader of the world's Orthodox Christians, resembles a diplomatic mission, it is because it is one. The visit here is the first by an

ecumenical patriarch of Constantinople since 1589. It is viewed by both the Greek Orthodox and Russian Orthodox churches as a step within Orthodoxy. The differences sides and Orthodox followers in

"I think the visit will promote further strengthening of the unity of the Orthodox Church," said patriarch on a 12-day tour of the by Patriarch Pimin of Moscow. clergy and faithful in five cities.

Dimitrios, who arrived Aug. 18, works since 1961. A fourth prepais taking soundings for a historic ratory conference is not expected ecumenical synod, or meeting, that until the fall of 1988. will seek to reconcile differences

Communist countries and those in might speed reconciliation. the West.

Metropolitan Filaret of Kiev, a se- measured in decades, if not centu- diplomacy that will include, before off signs of religious vitality in a nior prelate in the Russian Orthories. Dimitrios's trip is reciprocatthe year is out, visits to the Balkan. Communist state, such as the
dox Church. He is escorting the ing a trip to Istanbul 10 years ago
Serbian, Romanian, Polish and churches full of followers being

But church officials on both been going oo for many years.

For Patriarch Dimitrios, the So-No one expects a reconciliation viet Union is the most dramatic Church and the Soviet government soon. In Orthodoxy, progress is stop so far in a schedule of shuttle the trip is an opportunity to show Bulgarian Orthodox churches, to The synod itself has been in the the Vatican and to the archbishop of Canterbury. The meetings with Catholic and Anglican leaders are

part of ecumenical talks that have "By fortifying the unity among

toward ending the relative isolation are largely political rather than of the Russian church and reconciling the splintered churches of East-between Orthodox churches in followers to the outside world, and cause of pan-Christian unity," an side to Patriarch Dimitrios said.

> For the Russiao Orthodox churches full of followers being shown Dimitrios, and to offset Western disapproval of the country's strict limits on religion.

> The trip also will help lay the groundwork for the observance next year of the 1,000th anniversa-

U.S. Rejects

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ity into Russia by the forebears of

Many Orthodox followers in Moscow say they hope the Soviet authorities will seize that event as an occasion for liberalizing the atment of religion, especially reforming the laws that require churches to register with the gov-ernment, probabit teaching of religion to children outside the family and forbid religious involvement in. charitable works.

The Russian church has maintained peace with the Soviet government, but it has estranged many followers by refraining from public complaint about these limits and denying that discrimination against followers exists. Orthodoxy is the largest religious denomina-tion in the Soviet Union, with an estimated 40 million to 50 million followers.

The 400-year interval since the last visit by a patriarch of Constan-tinople was largely owing to Turk-ish politics, not the Russian government, according to officials of both the Russian and Greek Ortho-

As a Greek with headquarters in heavily Moslem Turkey, Dimitrios tries to keep a low profile, especially given the explosive state of relais between Turkey and Greece. The Turkish government, no friend of the Soviet Union, has long been uncomfortable about relations between the two churches.

For centuries, relations between the patriarch and the Russian church were chilly, in part because Russian followers looked down on a patriarch beholden to the Moslem Turkish sultan. Moscow claimed for many years to be "the third Rome," successor to Con-stantinople as the seat of Eastern Christianity. Constantinople was renamed Istanbul in 1930.

Since 1917, when the Russian church found itself under the control of an unsympathetic govern-ment, relations have improved.

The Russian church now acknowledges the primacy of the pa-triarch of Constantinople. He is not considered a legal or doctrinal superior, like the Roman Catholic pope, but the most honored figure, or the first among equals, in a federation of independent churches.

One of the major points dividing menical patriarch recognizes the independence of other Orthodox Christians, especially emigre Rusgregations in the West, while the Russian church does not.

At the same time, an aide to Dimitrios said, the Greek Orthonomic problems," dox hierarchy in Istanbul does not It called the Soviet contribution condemn the Russian church for making its peace with the Commu nist government.



Mario Tuti, leader of the Elba prison revolt.

Convicts on Elba Threaten To 'Massacre' 22 Hostages

ROME — Inmates who took 22 hostages at a prison on the island of Elba on Wednesday threatened "a massacre" if the police attacked or did not grant their demands for a helicopter.

"If any action is tried against us," said Mario Tuti, a 40-year-old

rightist convicted on terrorist charges, by telephone to the news agency ANSA. "There will be only a massacre, because none of us six want to stay in jail. We all have life sentences or thereabouts. We have nothing to lose but our chains."

The prison director, Cosimo Giordano, who is also a captive, told the agency that the hostages had been treated well. Meanwhile, police helicopters buzzed overhead, police motorboats riaged the island and reinforcements arrived by ferry, swelling the number of officers around the prison to about 350.

The revolt began at 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday at the H-shaped modern prison, which was built inside 16th century walls, on the sland about 6 miles (about 10 kilometers) from Tuscany off the Italian coast.

Prime Minister Giovanni Goria convened an urgent meeting Wednesday. His office said the government was sticking to its position that the immates should be persuaded to surrender. No journalists were allowed near the prison, which holds about 400 Drisoners.

Four hostages were released early in the revolt, and the inmates extended a Tuesday deadline of 6:45 P.M. to kill the hostages if no transportation were provided. They set no new deadline.

Bonn to Propose Defense Minister to Head NATO

The Associated Press BONN — Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Wednesday that West the dominant party in the ruling Germany would propose its de- coalition. He has been defense minfense minister, Manfred Worner, as a candidate for secretary-general of

The only other declared candidate for the top civilian post in the North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-tion has been Kaare Willoch, a former prime minister of Norway. The iob will become vacant next year. Mr. Wörner is "known throughout the alliance for his knowledge and his personality," Mr. Kohl

said. "He has a great deal of international prestige."

Mr. Kohl's announcement marked the first time that Bonn had proposed one of its citizens for the job. West Germany joined

NATO in 1955. We are one of the main actors in the alliance," Mr. Khol said, adding that West Germany was "at the front line" of the East-West

He said that there was "no rea son for us to excuse ourselves" for proposing a candidate for secretary-general.

4 Hungarian Bishops Take Government Oath

The Associated Press BUDAPEST --- Four Hungarian bishops appointed by Pope John Paul II on June 5 took oaths on the constitution Wednesday, the official MTI news agency reported. meaning that every Hungarian diocese has its own hishop with the

consent of the government. The four, Archbishops Laszlo Danko of Kaolocsa and Istvan Seregely of Eger, and Diocesan Bishops Istvan Konkoly of Szomhaticly and Endre Gyulay of Szeged-Csanad, had been appointed with the preliminary consent of the Presidential Council before swearing allegiance to the state.

Mr. Wörner, 52, is a member of the Christian Democratic Union, loch's candidacy on Aug. 14.
the dominant party in the ruling Mr. Kohl said that be had not ister since October 1982 and is a ing Mr. Wörner with Norway, alstrong advocate for increasing though he had informed "several Bonn's military forces.

The NATO secretary-general, Lord Carrington, is expected to step down next year.

Lord Carrington, 68, became secretary-general on June 25, 1984. At the time, he said he would serve for four years. The post carries no

Norway announced Mr. Wildiscussed his intention of proposvery important" NATO partners.

Other prospective candidates for the post include Leo Tindemans, the Belgian foreign minister and Rinaldo Petrignani, the Italian am-bassador to Washington.

Belgium and Italy have not for-The NATO secretary-general has always been a European. The

rope, currently General John R. Galvin, bas always been an Ameri-

The NATO allies designate a secretary-general from a list of candidates put forward by the member

The secretary-general heads an international staff that, among other duties, prepares the twice-annual meetings of the NATO foreign and defense ministers. He also serves as chairman of the ministerial meetings and of several NATO commit-

Foreign Students Lack Hosts in U.S. Applications Increase by High School Pupils From Abroad

By Constance L. Hays

New York Times Service NEW YORK - International student exchange programs in the United States are experiencing un-usual difficulty this year finding American host families for high school students from abroad,

While arrangements are complete for thousands of foreign teenagers planning to spend this year studying in America, officials said at least 50 students accepted into students in American families and exchange programs were awaiting family or school placement - less than two weeks before most public schools open. Other large programs scaled back plans this year, anticipating the problem.

The reasons range from a shortage of "typical" two-parent fam-ilies willing to provide room and board for a \$50-a-month tax credit to limits on foreign students set by school districts. Some administrators blame their own flexibility in stretching deadlines. Others said their volunteer networks have been exhausted. Meanwhile, the applications have climbed.

national Living, which has 10 studeots in temporary placements waiting for host families. That group has run an exchange pro-gram since 1932 and is placing about 300 high school students

from 40 countries this year. Officials of groups that together will place more than 4,500 foreign schools this year spoke of the growing difficulty.

Some of the problems facing the

exchange groups spring from pub-lic school systems, which often limit the oumber of foreign students. "While the families may he there, more often the schools will turn us down," said John Wilhelm, the president of Ayusa International, based in San Francisco, which still has to place 40 of the 710 students accepted for its academic year program. "Then we have to find another family that doesn't

"We explained to them that it's a require proof of a family and

dilemma that's nationwide, not just our organizatioo," said Wendy Shields of the Experiment in Inter-Douglas W. Hunt, chairman of the rangements are not final, said board of the Council on Standards for loternational Educational Travel

"Any sponsor that brings kids in

publicity extolling youth exchanges, some of it generated by the Reagan administration, had "caused more organizations to become iovolved in exchanges and encouraged those already involved to iocrease the programs," creating

live in that school district," While applications for the visas typically issued to foreign students

Douglas W. Hunt, chairman of the

without a bome placement or school placement is not acting in the best interest of the kids," Mr. But he added that a Rurry of

ies of accepting foreign students. Murray Shaw, the director of

families would be in short supply. The program has placed 2,750 high school students, down from an exwill arrive in January.

Arms and Aid

WASHINGTON - The State Department has described as without merit a Soviet proposal for a United Nations Security Council summit meeting on disarmament ing the idea "flawed and untena-

A department statement reiterated the U.S. position that there is no link between disarmament and economic development.

The statement on Tuesday night said arms reductions should be pursued "on their own merits" and added: "No country has been more generous than the United States in providing economic and humanitarian assistance to the developing world."

"The United States has long believed," the State Department said, "that disarmament in the industrialized world and development in the Third World are not issues that are directly or functionally interre-

A Soviet official said earlier Tuesday that the Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, would be willing to come to New York this year for a meeting on the two issues of the leaders of the 15 nations on the Security Council.

It had been considered unlikely that the United States, one of the the two churches is that the ecusure on school districts with histor- 15 members on the council, would

The department said it was con-U.S. operations for AFS Intercul- cerned such a conference could sian, Bulgarian and Romanian contural in New York, said he was serve as "a vehicle for a propagan-forced to scale back his program da attack against the industrialized after it became apparent that host world's defense expenditures as the main cause of Third World economic problems.'

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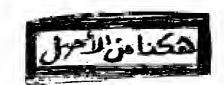


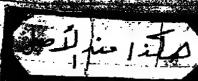
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PUSH FOR RICHTS IN LATVIA - Soviet militiamen push demonstrators away from Freedom Memorial Monument in Riga. About 5,000 people gathered to call for human rights and solidarity, U.S. tourists who made this photo available Wednesday in West Germany said. The protest Sunday marked the 48th anniversary of the pact between Hitler and Stalin ceding Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia to the Soviet Union.

REAGAN: President Hails Move By Kohl on Pershings

(Confirmed from Page 1) INF missiles." INF stands for intermediate nuclear forces.

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Mr. Reagan also challenged the Soviet Union to bring a spirit of glasnost, or openness, to its military affairs and said pest U.S.-Soviet arms pacts have been "too often violated by the U.S.S.R."

The president, without mentioning the name of his Soviet counterpart, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, demanded that the Kremlin ease its

terms for an arms accord. He said the United States has

cle from consideration. Mr. Rea- Mr. Reagan, with recent polls in gan said. "We are therefore hope-ful." he added, "that the Soviet Union will demonstrate that there leader — rather than Mr. Reagan is substance behind the thetori

— that they genuinely want a stab-lizing INF agreement a "If so, they will move to meet on proposals construentely right than erect additional barriers to agreement.

they have repeated so offer of late

cial said before the speed that "there was absolutely no pressure" brought to bear on the Boin gov-

repeatedly pointed out that the last-minute demand by the Soviets
concerning West German Perto be a new attempt to ake the shing-IA missiles was without offensive in the long runding pub-

- is a champion of peace.

The president pointed out that it was the United States, not the Kremlin, that originally proposed elimination of medium-range missiles in Europe and a 50 percent cut in strategic weapons.

Mr. Reagan, who in recent weeks has questioned the sincerity of Mr. region. Military sources said Tues-Gorbachev's glasnost policy, seemed to move to greater acceptance that some changes were tak-

But, he said, "we also need to see more openness, a departure from foundation."

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derlining the disagreement between Mr. Genscher's moderate. Free. Democratic Party, and conservatives in the coalition.

who have supported keeping the refrain from modeling their bat-Pershings and replaciog them with the relation of the source of Pershings and replacing them with updated missiles, were notably quither the threat to We Germany posed et about Mr. Kohl's announce, by such weapon

The Christian Social Union, the West Germay has a special insmall, Bavarian-based affiliate of Mr. Kohl's Christian Democrats, Pact's arsena of those missiles, had no comment, a party spokes. Which have piges of less than 300 woman in Bonn said.

Deadly Snakes Stolen

MOUNT MORRIS, Michigan - About 350 reptiles, including 17 "very deadly" snakes were stolen late Tuesday from a truck near here. The police issued a statewide alert Wednesday in an effort to Washigton and Moseow go locate them after the truck was through with the intermediate-

The local police said the caged reptiles were stolen from a rented U-Haul van that also carried guns and \$16,000 worth of solar cells and furniture.

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miles and revesent a special danger to West Sermany as NATO's front-line sac.

But Mr.Kohl did not demand concession on battlefield missiles as a conition for scrapping the Pershipe As.

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negotical.
The conditions were the following: Fhat the United States and the Soier Union agree on a global

• That the treaty is ratified and

"stick to the agreed-upon schedule for the removal of their weapons "In that case." Mr. Kohl contin-

ued, "I am prepared to declare already today that, with the final removal of all Soviet and American Mr. Weinberger said the Westintermediate-range missiles, the ern naval buildup was designed to Pershing-IA missiles will not be keep modernized, but dismantled instead."

The treaty provides for dismantling all U.S. and Soviet intermediate-range missiles in stages over five years.

As a result, the Pershings theoretically would become technically

weapons in the early 1990s.

Weinberger Says West's Forces in Gulf Will Grow

By John M. Broder Los Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger says that Western military power in the Gulf will continue to grow, and he has indicated that the United States and several other nations are planning to send additional warships and men to the region.

Without naming specific countries, Mr. Weinberger suggested in an interview on Tuesday that European countries other than Britain and France, which have dispatched six minesweepers and an aircraft carrier to the region, will soon be sending military vessels to the

"I think that what we have now is sufficient to do what is required today, but that is by no means static or final," Mr. Weinberger said. The important thing is to have increased capabilities in the

officials in The Netherlands are close to a decision to send several minesweepers to the region, Penta-gon sources said, and Italy is debating whether to contribute to the Gulf force. Mr. Weinberger also hinted that other European nations might be considering joining the force and he said that Japan might help finance the operation.

Japan, which gets almost two-thirds of its oil from Gulf states, is prohibited by its constitution from

military involvement overseas.

The United States has 47 ships and 25,000 men in and around the Gulf or steaming toward the region, according to Pentagon figures and independent estimates. The force includes an aircraft carrier, 2 battleship, a helicopter carrier and several amphibious assault ships carrying an estimated 1,800 U.S.

Marines. A second battle group based around the aircraft carrier Ranger is reportedly preparing to enter the day that the battleship lowa, stationed at Norfolk, Virginia, has been alerted to prepare for possible

Gulf duty.
In addition, sources said, the navy is preparing to send five high-speed bydrofoil missile patrol boats from their port at Key West,

The vessels could be used to intercept Iranian speedboats, which are equipped with machine guns and have been shadowing U.S. warships and commercial vessels in the Gulf. Iran is suspected of using the speedboats to lay mines in the Gulf, and it is believed that the Iranians could be preparing to use them in spicide attacks on merchant ships or naval vessels.

Britain has maintained warships in the Gulf for several years to • That the two superpowers escort British tankers halfway up the Gulf to Bahrain. The French recently have stationed an aircraft carrier battle group in the North Horaniz, the entry to the 550-milelong (890-kilometer-long) Gulf.

The Associated Press LONDON --- A Royal Air Force obsolete before the five-year period McDonnell Douglas F-4 Phantom was up, according to West German warplane crashed during a training exercise Wednesday, killing its pi-The Pershings were deployed in lot and navigator, the Defense the late 1960s, and were scheduled Ministry said. The mishap oc-

from both sides in the Iran-Iraq taking place." war, which began in September He also said the United States

Mr. Weinberger said there was not a multinational agreement to coordinate Western military activities in the Gulf.

"It doesn't have to be a group under American command," he tributed port facilities, air bases, forces and Iran, the greatest risk in and some air attacks.

was grateful for military assistance from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and other small states along the western ternal subversion. shore of the Gulf. He did not name

detail or accuracy without losing it," Mr. Weinberger said. If such aid were to become public, be imtargets of Iranian terrorism or in-

Despite the potential for direct the Arab countries that have con-military conflict between Western mission are mines, small boats"

from Kuwait and other avowedly said. "It doesn't even have to be a fuel or other support for the West- the region remains Iranian or Iranian from Kinwait and other avowers joint command. The important em ships.

an-sponsored terrorism, the defense secretary said. He said waring air, missile and mine attack ties in that area. And I think that's cause we can't discuss that in any ships and warplanes were not able to deter such attacks, nor were they sent there for that purpose.

"The ships are there to get interplied, the nations could become national nonbelligerent commerce in and out of international waters. Mr. Weinberger said. "And that's what is being done. The risk to that

Iran Rejects Arab League Demands on Cease-Fire

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NICOSIA, Cyprus — Prime Minister Mir Hussein Moussavi of Iran rejected on Wednesday any compromise with Iraq in the Gulf War, the official Iranian press agency reported.

The report by the Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, followed an Arab League resolution Tuesday urging Tehran to accept a United Nations ceasefire call by Sept. 20 or face a review of diplomatic relations by Arab

The agency made no specifie mention of the Arab League deci-sion, which was announced after an administration had decided to au-

emergency foreign ministers' meeting in Tunis.

But it quoted Mr. Moussavi as saying in Tehran that the United States, by intervening in the Gulf, was seeking to impose what the agency termed "an ignominious peace" on Iran "in collaboration with Arab reactionaries."

"We will never agree to such a peace," he was quoted as saying. "Even a psychological war cannot make us accept a compromise to the benefit of the United States."

fn Washington, Pentagon

were idled Wednesday by sandstorms and poor visibility. The Associated Press, however,

military personnel serving on ships

operating in the Gulf, the Strait of

There were conflicting reports

Wednesday about U.S. naval es-

told Agence France-Presse that

Gulf of Oman.

escort reflagged Kuwaiti tankers,

quoted sources as saying that a U.S.-escorted convoy of Kuwaiti

thorize "imminent danger" pay bo-nuses of \$110 a month for U.S. the coast of Saudi Arabia. In Lebanon, a statement by the militant pro-Iranian group Hezbol-Hormuz and a small portion of the lah gave the United States one week to withdraw its forces from the Gulf or face the possibility that

U.S. and Saudi Arabian facilities

would become "a mass grave to all corts in the Gulf. Shipping sources "We call on all the sons of Hez-U.S. Navy ships, sent to the Gulf to bollah and the oppressed people to escort refiseeed Kuwaiti tankers, face their responsibilities." Hezbollah said in the statement, which was delivered to a Western news agency in Beirut. "We urge them to

confront the filthy Saudi regime and persecute all Americans.

LATIN: Nicaraguan Rebels May Suggest a Suspension in U.S. Aid

(Continued from Page 1) fuel, in a war that could drag on

indefinitely. Talks with rebel officials and the sight of the crowded conference rooms and ringing telephones of their political office in Miami con-

vey a strong sense that the contras know they have entered a decisive phase in their six-year struggle against the Sandinists. "This is the first and probably last chance for a political opening

in Nicaragua since presidential elections there in 1984, Mr. Cesar said. "We have to take advantage Rebel officials said their chief

objectives will include persuading foreign governments and Congress to maintain pressure on the Sandinists to loosen their grip on pow-Several rebel officials, speaking

in interviews, outlined what appears to be the emerging strategy of

On the political from, they said, Nicaragua, Senior rebel officials

and policies with the remnants of last through December. the internal opposition parties and rade unions inside Nicaragua. They will also send delegations to support

In an interview this week in Managua. Virgilio Godoy, the leader of the opposition Independent Lib-eral Party, said he believed that the Sandinists would offer only a partial political opening, chiefly in-tended to mollify international opinion.

But Carlos Salgado, head of the largest independent Marxist trade union, a member of the Nicaraguan Socialist Party and a strong but critical supporter of the revolution. said the contras could make major gains under the new peace accord.

On the military front, the rebels said they would seek a negotiated cease-fire that would permit their troops to survive without dismantling their army until major political changes have occurred inside

they will try to coordinate actions said they have enough supplies to A request to Mr. Reagan to sus-

pend military aid while the accord is being tested would be intended Latin America and Europe to seek rebel leaders said, to show that they were serious about exploiting the opening the accord offers. But senior rebel officials said

seek a congressional vote to renew

aid to the rebels under the condition that the aid would not be sent if the Sandinists complied with the

"The U.S. Congress has a great responsibility to help see that the Sandinistas comply," a rebel official, Aristides Sanchez, said, "If the Congress backs us with support that at the same time they would conditioned on changes inside Nicask Mr. Reagan and Mr. Wright to aragua, then we have a chance

Bulgaria Tightens AIDS Safeguards

VIENNA - The number of Bulgarians infected with the virus which causes AIDS has risen to 19. and health authorities have announced mandatory testing for pregnant women, the Bulgarian news agency said Wednesday.

sures for foreigners, including de- News said in its last issue.

portation for those who test positive. Foreigners applying to stay in Bulgaria for longer than a month are required to take a blood

So far only one Bulgarian has developed the symptoms of ac-quired immune deficiency syndrome, and one person, a foreigner, Three Bulgarians have tested has died from the disease. Twentypositive for the virus in the past nine foreigners have tested positive week, BTA said, Bulgaria has imfor the virus and been deported, the plemented extremely strict mea-weekly English language Sofia

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Tools Indicate First Migration

By John Noble Wiltord

ISCOVERY of what appear to be crude stone tools raises tors migrated out of Africa at least I million years earlier than previ-

ously thought.

The new thinking is inspired by reports from British archaenlogists working in northern Pakistan that they have found 2-million year-old chopping wols believed to have been made by early humans.

If such a significantly earlier time of migration is established, it would presumably mean that a more primitive species in the hu-man lineage. Homo habilis, was the first to leave Africa and did so soon after learning to make stone tooks. The prevailing view now is that the later Home erectus, which had a considerably larger brain capacity, initiated the human migration about a million years ago.

Paleoanthropologists were gen-erally cautious and skeptical in commenting on the report. The find was reported in the British magazine New Scientist.

Members of the British archaeo logical Mission in Pakistan described finding eight stone pieces. all of quartzite, that appeared to have been fashioned into chopping tools. A member of the expedition Robin Dennell, who is a geologist from the University of Sheffield, in England, was quoted as saying that the multifaceted flaking made a "very convincing" case for a human hand in shaping the pebble

Helen Rendell and Ernie Hailwood, geologists from the University of Sussex and the University of Southampton, respectively, estimated the age of the specimens by

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their position in sedimentary rocks and the evidence of changes in the rocks' magnetism over time. The discovery was made in the Soan

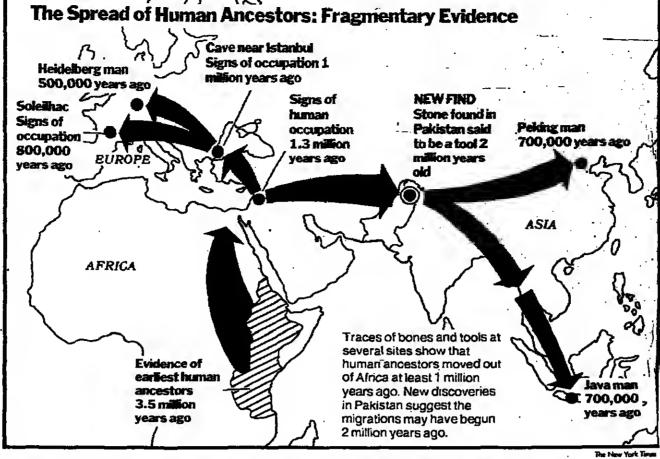
But Sally McBrearty, an anthro pologist at William and Mary Cole who has done research in Pakistan, complains that the discoverers "have not supplied enough evidence that the specimens are that old and that they are of human manufacture.

Dr. McBrearty is skeptical of the 2-million-year date because the discovery was made in a river plain. which is "not a good solid stratigraphic context. The sediment layers there have been so mixed up by flowing water over time that geologists have a hard time determining whether artifacts are em-bedded in their original sediments. Anthropologists also noted that pebbles fracture easily as they roll tbrough flowing water, resulting ir shapes that can be mistaken for

Another skeptic. Milford Woloff, a professor of anthropology at the University of Michigan, said:
"I hate to use absence of evidence as an argument. But where's the evidence for what these people were doing for that intervening million years?

Scientists have found no fossils artifacts, or other unequivocal traces of human migration into Asia or Europe before 1 million years ago. "We can't prove any-thing beyond a million," said David Pilbeam, a paleoanthropologist at Harvard University.

According to current knowledge of fossils, the earliest humanlike ancestors, known as hominids, ap-peared in eastern and southern Af-



think we know about as well as we decessors, arose in Africa and mitree grew in Africa," Stephen Jay Gould, a Harvard paleontologisi and historian of science, bas writ-

genus Homo, the direct human anmillion years ago, when Homo 600,000 years old. erectus emerged. Archaic forms of

know anything in paleontology grated elsewhere, though some arthat our branch of the evolutionary gue that variants of Homo sapiens arose in more than one place.

Europe are few and far between. The oldest known skeletal remains of Homo erectus outside Africa are cestral line, occurred about 2.5 mil-lion years ago with Homo habilis. king Man fossils found at the Lan-This species disappeared about 1.6 tian site in China are at least In Europe, the oldest known bu-

Homo sapiens appeared and dis- man remains are a 500,000-yearplaced Homo erectus about old jaw found near Heidelberg. The peared in eastern and southern Africa at least 3.5 million years ago. "I believe Homo sapiens, like its prehac. in the Massif Central of France, where 800,000-year-old tools and animal remains have neen excavared

> The Americas were the last to be nbabited. Until recently it was beleved that the ancestors of the Indians first arrived from Asia no

ran through the Middle East, but only recently have archaeologists begun to dig up any strong evidence. Scientists from Hebrew University in Jerusalem have found many kinds of stone tools at a site called Ubeidiva on the southeastern shore of the Sea of Galilee, F. Clark Howell, a professor of anthropology at the University of

mens are more than a million years old, perhaps 1.3 million years old. Dr. Howell plans to conduct a detailed investigation next June of a cave near Istanbul that could also be one of the oldest known sites of early humans outside Africa. Proliminary excavation of Yarimburgaz Cave turned up pebble tools and what appeared to be a hearth coasts, both a response to environin sediments that Turkish geologists estimated could be I million

California, at Berkeley, said:

There's no question these speci-

Scholars have yet to develop any later than 15,000 years ago. But elaborate theories to explain why discoveries in South America Indi-early humans began to scatter from early humans began to scatter from cute that human occupation oc-curred as early as 32,000 years ago. it's clear when they migrated, there ice ages, Wolpoff said most of the The corridor of migration to are infinite possible reasons for the evidence might have been flooded ooth Europe and Asia presumably migrations. Dr. Pilbeam observed. out.

years ago, the buman ancestors might have been simply following the animals they bunted for subsisspread exodus of animals from Africa about that time, possibly the result of climatic change.

If the migrations began about 1.5 million years ago, which is Dr. Howell's hunch, the reasons could be partly economic and environmental but could also include the growing intellectual curiosity and capability of the recently evolved

Dr. Wolposs suggested that the carly migrants had moved out of the African highlands and somehow adapted to living along the mental conditions and a manifestation of increasingly burnanlike versatility. The coasts, he said, were "their highway to the rest of the world." But because of fluctuating sea levels over the last 2 million

Inventor Working To Process Cheaper Nitrogen Fertilizer used actually fixes narrogen into

New York Times Service AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts - An Israeli inventor sees a new relationship among three dis-parate problems. Many farmers around the world cannot afford the nitrogen fertilizer they need; the long-term supply outlook for oil and gas, the key source of nitrogen fertilizer, is poor, and many utilities have electricity they cannot sell, at least in the short term.

The inventor. Moshe Alamaro. says he has a system to ameliorate all three problems. It is based on a technology used in Norway earlier this century but has refinements that more than double its efficiency. The system makes the basic component of nitrogen fertilizer from the nitrogen in air, using only electricity and water.

Nitrogen is plentiful - roomtemperature air is 80 percent nitro-- but nearly all of it is in an gen — but nearly all of it is in an inert form that plants cannot use. Since World War I the dominant method for making nitrogen fertil-izer, called the Haber-Bosch process, is to "fix" the nitrogen atom with three atoms of hydrogen forming ammonia. The bydrogen ource is usually naphtha, which is

But Mr. Alamaro, an Israeli utical engineer who studied poses o revive museum-piece technologi that was used in Norway from 105 until 1940, the Birkeland and Eyle process.

The rocess uses an electric are to heat he air to above 2,000 degrees Fhrenbeit (1,088 degrees centigrad), at which temperature nitrogen and oxygen combine to form nitriloxide. The air is cooled rapidly, blore the nitric oxide decomposes l'less useful forms. One form of feilizer that can be produced is dric acid. Another is calcium nitrite, made by neutraliz-

Mr. Alaman is studying a system for makin nitrogenous fertilizer without the imestone.

His company. Deshen Interna-tional Inc., plans to put the entire mechanism on a truck or railroad car, allowing it to he transported to the site where the fertilizer is needed to eliminate transportation costs, which add substantially to the cost of the product. Jerome H. Marten, vice presi-

usable forms. Mr. Alamaro believes

he can raise the efficiency to at

least 10 percent, in part by incorporating improvements in the tech-

nology of turning heat into electric-

ity, recycling some of the heat given

off in the cooling, to generate more electricity for use in the electric arc.

dent for technology of the Davy McKee Corporation, which builds conventional fertilizer plants, observed: "All classic chemical-process economics say that below a certain size, things get more expen-sive. It seems to fly in the face of conventional wisdom.

He added that the power demand of the proposed system, two megawatts, would limit its use to areas with high-voltage power lines, and that the fertilizer produced was in a form not generally used by farms, in an amount that would be too small for many opera-

No prototype of the nitrogen plant bas been built, but several utility companies have expressed strong interest, and Boston Edison gave the system an honorable mention in a recent contest it ran for inventions using electricity.

Mr. Alamaro says his process will make 107 grams (3,5 ounces) of nitric oxide per kilowatt-hour, compared with about 36 grams under the old process. To break even, he said, electricity must sell for 2 cents a kilowatt-hour.

Retail electric customers in the Eastern United States pay five to eight times that much, but in other places, power goes begging at far lower prices. Hydro-Quebec, for example, sometimes dumps billions of gallons of water over dams beside idle hydroelectric turbines and sells electricity for less than 2 cents a kilowatt-hour. It has expressed In the Birkelad and Eyde pro- interest in having Deshen as a cus-

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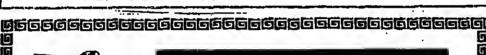
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IN BRIEF

Ozone Holein Arctic Eases, For Now

LONGYEARBYENSpitsbergen-Norway (AP) — A Norwegian scientist who detected an zone "hole" last year over this remote arctic region says the atmosphe apparently has recovered.

But the physicist, Socie H.H. Larsen, and other atmospheric special-

ists say the arctic skies met be watched more closely for the possible onset of a severe ozone opletion, like the one in Antarctica. Ozone depletion would be even upre troubling at the North Pole, since the

world's population concentrions lie nearer the Arctic Circle.

Spurred by the ozone proban at the South Pole, representatives of 31 nations will meet Sept. 14 in tontreal to seek final agreement on cutting back production of chlorofluocarbons, industrial chemicals that can

deplete ozone in the stratosphie.

The upper-atmosphere layer ozone, an unstable form of oxygen, is essential to life on Earth, sincht absorbs much of the sun's harmful ultraviolet radiation. Each on percent decrease in ozone at high altimdes means 200,000 addition cases of skin cancer worldwide every year, the U.S. Environmental Projetion Agency has estimated.

Breast-Feeding and Cancer Risk

BOSTON (UPI) — A study involving more than 10,000 women found that those who breast-fed their babid significantly reduced their risk of getting ovarian and breast cancer, searchers from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said. The researchers said that the study shows women who nursed their infan had fewer cases of the cancers than did women who had children but id not breast-feed. Studies have shown that having babies reduces a worth's risk of both cancers, but this is the first major study to indicate brest-feeding also plays a role in cancer prevention.

"Breast-feeding produces hormonal chaget," said Dr. Nancy Lee, an epidemiologist from the centers. "Discoving this association gives us more knowledge about these very danger as cincers." She said doctors have speculated that breast and ovarian career hay be linked to hormonal changes in the body.

Bacteria Killing Dolphinsin U.S.

NORFOLK, Virginia (NYT) — Common pactria normally found in coastal waters have recently become lethal to the ottle-nosed dolphins that swim and feed along the shore from Virginia to New Jersey, according to Dr. Frank R. Geraci, a marine pathogist.

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according to Dr. Frank R. Geraci, a marine paintogus.

However, Dr. Geraci, the leader of a team of sciutists that is investigating the deaths of more than 200 dolphins since Jly 1, added that the scientists still did not know what was weakening the opphins and making them susceptible to bacteria with which they usually live in harmony. Dr. Geraci said the search Ior what weakens the olphins, possibly a virus, a biological toxin, some man-made pollution oan immunological disorder, would continue. "We'll be in this area as lng as required to discrete, would committee. We have been also area as ing as required to unravel the mystery," he said. The bacteria blamed for he deaths include streptococci and a large number of vibrio bacteria hat the animals usually carry in their systems and that are found in the ocean.

U.S. Dentist Experiments With Laser

WALLED LAKE, Michigan (UPI) - The fear of the depist chair may die down if an experimental laser proves successful in leating tooth decay and replaces the dreaded drill.

Dr. Terry Myers is treating tooth decay with a laser under an experimental program approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Addinistration. He's believed to be the first dentist in the United States with FDA approval to experiment on volunteer patients. The FDA, which must approve a medical device before dentists or physicians use it, ievaluating the laser. "It's noiseless, quicker, more effective and doesn't remire use of

an anesthetic or painkille." Dr. Myers told The Detroit New.

Myers said his laser poess little risk to the patient and mikes tooth enamel more resistant to ecay. However, dental schools he urged additional research before lasers are widely used. One research effective mined laser dentistry was "inpractical" and posed a risk of amage to tooth nerves, the newspaper reported.

Scientists Discover Distant Quasir

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — A term of American and British cientists has found a quasar whose light reached Earth after traveling for 3 billion years through space, making it due of the most distant objets over observed in the universe.

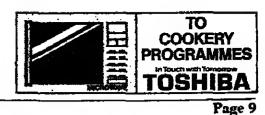
observed in the universe.

The quasar—extremely bright light from deep space—was spotted by the researchers in New South Wales Australia, the University of Pittsburgh announced recently. The observation of the quasar will allow scientists for the first time to study in deail the properties of the universe of the properties of the prop when it was young — or about I billion years old — and less than 20 percent of its present size, the university said.

Scientists believe quasars are sources objections of very ligh energy in space. A single quasar can radiate the same amount of energy as 100,000



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WALL STREET WATCH

S&P Foresees a Record In Stock Splits This Year

By ELIZABETH M. FOWLER

New York Times Service EW YORK - A record number of companies are expected to split their stock this year, yet another indication of the bull market's strength. So far this year, Standard & Poor's Corp. said, 158 companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange have split their stocks issuing additional shares to their stockholders. By the end of the year, the statistical and stock advisory service said there may be year, the statistical and stock advisory service said, there may be as many as 250 stock splits, compared with 207 last year and 109 in both 1984 and 1985.

The number of splits is often a mirror of the overall condition of the market. In 1982, a lackluster year for equities, there were

only 64 splits. The next year, as the bull market came into full swing, there were 225 splits, the most ever recorded. Stock splits are a traditional

side effect of a dramatically rising stock market, as compa-nies seek to hold their stock prices down so they can continue to attract small inves-

splitter: IBM.

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tors. Corporations generally prefer to split their stock once it passes the \$100 level, although there are exceptions. One company that appears to be considering a split is Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. Lasi week, Royal Dutch told S&P that its management was "not comfortable" with its stock price and might consider a split. The company's stock closed on Tuesday at \$134.25 a sbare.

Earlier this month, Exxon Corp., whose shares have been trading around \$100, announced a 2-for-1 stock split, effective Sept. 14. And Wisconsin Energy Corp., a ntility company, completed a 2-for-1 stock split at about \$50 a share in June. Its shares closed on Tuesday at \$26.

Exxon and Wisconsin Energy were among five dozen stocks on a list of possible splitters published early this year by S&P.

STOCK split does not in itself affect the value of share-STOCK split does not in itself affect the value of share-owners' boldings because it does not increase the proportional ownership of a company. As the number of shares outstanding rises, the price falls. If a stockholder owns 100 shares priced at \$50, and the company announces a 2-for-1 stock split, the investor receives a certificate for another 100 shares. After the split, the shares might initially trade for about \$25.

However, splits tend to have a positive psychological effect on investors, and they usually indicate that the company is doing well. Large companies usually do not split their stock unless

well. Large companies usually do not split their stock unless earnings are rising and management expects continued growth.

"Stockholders like splits," said Joseph Tigue, assistant managing editor of The Outlook, S&P's weekly advisory publication.

Stocks often rise either in anticipation of a split, upon the announcement of a split, or sometimes in a delayed response after the split. In addition, the dividend is often raised before the split or shortly afterward, which encourages even higher stock prices, On S&P's list of possible splits are some high-priced issues such as Merck & Co., which has climbed from a 52-week low of \$122, to \$207.875 on Tuesday. Merck announced recently that its directors would consider a split in November.

Noticeably absent from the current S&P list of possibilities International Busineess Machines Corp. "I don't think it will split this year," Mr. Tigue said. IBM said it would not comment on any plans for a split.

IBM's last split —four shares for one —occurred in May 1979. In the year before the split, IBM's shares had ranged from

Longtime holders of IBM have fared well from its stock splits. An owner of 100 shares worth \$14,450 in 1934 would today have more than 67,300 shares worth a total of more than \$11.5 at Tuesday's price of \$171.75 a share. The stock bas risen from a fore joining Mr. Balladur's staff. 52-week low of \$115.75.

New Head At French Treasury

Paris Club Chief Succeeds Lebègue

PARIS - Jean-Claude Trichet, chairman of the so-called Paris Club of Western ereditor nations, will succeed Daniel Lebegue as the new director of the French Treasury, the government said Wednes-

The Paris Club conducts debt negotiations with Third World countries, but Mr. Triebet, 44, bas also been chief of staff to the finance minister, Edouard Balladur, since the conservative government led by Prime Minister Jacques Chirac came to power in March

Mr. Lebegue, who helped over-see a sweeping liberalization of French financial markets, is to become president of state-owned Sanque Nationale de Paris. The bank is a leading candidate for privatization once the floatation of Compagnie Financière de Suez is completed in October, banking

The moves, involving two of the most important posts for determining Freneb economic policy, had

Mr. Lebègue, 44, has spent three years as Treasury director and pre-sided over such changes as the exansion of the money markets, the introduction of new financial in-struments and the lifting of restrictions on credit and prices.

Mr. Triebet will be replaced as Mr. Balladur's chief of staff by Charles de Croisset, 43, a banker. He will take a leave of absence as head of the banking department at another state-owned bank, Credit Commercial de France, a Finance Ministry statement said.

While none of the moves is expected to lead to any significant policy changes, banking sources said, Mr. Trichet's appointment as Treasury director should add to the weight being given to international affairs in French policy-making.

Mr. Trichet will retain the chair-manship of Paris Ciub meetings. Between 1978 and 1981, he served as industrial affairs adviser to President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, and also headed the international

Critical Shuttle Components Under Redesign Make Engineer Small modules-tions aut to their maching of furtine balans, aimor lears that is loose balan obtain destroy the engines. Phair & Whittey is de-Braken and Steerings Alter finding numerous cracks, NASA is replacing perylisan components with a trasset carbon-brake system. The nosewherl scenning system is being changed to passure that if it fails, that from wheel does not fip to no suck, wearnous the statistic out of one side, veoring the shuttle out of could be the several years.

Morton Thiokol Faces a Major Test Rocket Firing in Utah Desert Is Chance at Redemption

By David E. Sanger

BRIGHAM CITY, Utah -Early Thursday afternoon a scrubby desert valley west of here will erupt in a two-minute stream of fire that Morton Thiokol Inc., maker of the space shuttle's solid rocket boosters, hopes will begin to erase memories of the last 19 months.

If all goes according to plan, this will be the first full-scale test of the shuttle's beosters since they were redesigned after the Challenger disaster that killed seven astronauts. For the U.S. space program, the test firing will be the most critical step yet toward getting the shuttle flying again next summer. At Thiokol's plant here at the foot of the Wasatch Mountains, the test is also viewed as a long-awaited chance

at redemption. "We've taken a lot of hits for a long time now," said U. Edward Garrison, the head of the company's aerospace group. We want to show everyone, not just the local people lining the highway

to see the test, that we are capa-ble of doing the job."

Tuesday afternoon green-jack-eled Thiokol engineers swarmed around the test site, rigging the last of more than 500 sensors that will monitor the booster's most critical components. Experts, both inside and outside the company, expect that readings from those sensors will confirm their belief that the booster is now fixed.

Thiokol itself - perhaps as cen- Space Administration to let the

tral a question for the shuttle program as the performance of new O-rings and redesigned rocket casings — is a far less exact science. The people who investigated the Challenger acci-dent blamed not only Thiokol's hardware but also the company's management. Not surprisingly. there are conflicting views on how well the company has solved

'We've taken a lot of hits for a long time now. We want to show everyone that we are capable of doing the job.

— U. Edward Garrison, Aerospace group

its own problems since that subfreezing morning of Jan. 28. 1986, at Cape Canaveral, Flori-

Much has changed at Thiokol's Wasatch operations, deliberately situated out of the way because of the volatility of the propellent that powers the shut-ile boosters and most U.S. nuclear missies.

Virtually all of the mudiever managers who overrode the warnings of their own engineers and succumbed to pressure from

Challenger fly are gone now, ei-ther retired or pushed aside. As the test firings near, Thiokol morale has picked up. Dissenters say they are now heard, if not always heeded. An inquiry by the FBI into charges of fraud related to the shuttle contract appears to bave fizzled.

The company's stock, now up 50 percent from the day after the disaster to above \$50, continues to rise. So do its profits, though the space division's earnings have fallen by half. In Thiokol's fiscal fourth quarter, ended June 30, pet income rose 21 percent, to \$36.4 million, on revenues of \$558 million.

"There's been an awful lot of progress, and some real intelli-gent people bave been brought in." said Robert Ebeling, a senior engineer and former internal critic, who retired from Thiokol in June after a year of treatment for the visions of disaster that have haunted him since the day the Challenger blew up. "They're not about to make the same mistake twice."

At the same time, there are subtle signs that the troubles of the company are not yet behind it. Little in Thiokol's basic management structure has changed. and some engineers say they are fearful that the atmosphere that mo problems with return as pressure nuties up to get the shuttle tiying again. Although the acrospace group has won about \$250 million in new contracts since the disaster, some big

to \$39.53 billion in the April-June quarter, the largest deficit on record for a three-month period, the government reported Wednesday. The increase followed a deficit of \$38.76 billion, the previous record, in the January-March quarter, the Commerce Department reported.
The department had earlier report-

U.S. Trade Gap

Reached Record

ed that the first-quarter deficit was \$38 33 hillion The report basically repeats the trade figures announced monthly by the Commerce Department, ex-cept that the balance-of-payments method used for this report excludes military aid while adding traffic in nonmonetary gold and the freight costs involved in trade

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WASHINGTON - The U.S. merchandise trade deficit widened

Analysis saw the report as evi-dence that the U.S. trade picture was not improving, despite more than two years of declines in the value of the dollar against other key currencies. A weaker dollar makes imports more expensive for Americans and U.S. goods more competi-

tive abroad. But despite a dollar worth only 40 to 50 percent of what it was worth in mid-1985, imports in the April-June quarter increased 4 per-cent to \$99.5 hillion.

What makes the latest report important is that it revealed that import volume rose 2 percent between April and June while the volume of exports leaving U.S. shores inereased 4 percent.

"The dollar's depreciation is continuing to drive up import prices and import value, but there's very little easing of import penetration," said Sara Johnson of Data Resources Inc. in Lexington, Massachusetts. "I think that's really the source of the problem.

"We have to run twice as fast to stay in place."

The report "indicates how deep-scated this trade problem is," said Lowrence Chimerine, president of Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates, an analysis firm in Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania. The largest increase in imports

Imports of Japanese automobiles were up 15 percent while imports from Korea soured 90 percent.

Oil imports accounted for \$1.3 Ulrich Wittman, an economist at in imports. The average number of Frankfurt.

In 2d Quarter barrels brought into the United States daily rose to 6.32 million from 6.09 million, while the average price per barrel hit \$17.32 after averaging \$15.64 in the first ouar-

> Nonpetroleum imports in-See DEFICIT, Page 15

Bonn Says Surplus in Trade Grew

By Ferdinand Protzman

FRANKFURT - West Germa ny reported Wednesday that its merchandise trade surplus widened to a provisional 9.9 billion Deutsche marks (\$5.41 billion) in July from 8.3 billion DM in June.

But economists said those figures masked a continuing slowdown in real exports triggered by the mark's rise against the dollar.

The July surplus shrank in com-parison with July 1986, when the ligure was 10.9 billion DM, And the country's current account surplus, a wider measure of trade, narrowed to a provisional 4,8 billion DM in July from a revised 5.4 bil-lion DM in June and 6 billion DM

in July 1986.

The June figure had been previously reported as 4.8 billion DM. Current account includes services, tourism, transportation and other items such as interest and profits

earned abroad.

The July figures showed a growing appetite in West Germany for ing appetite in west Germany for foreign goods resulting from higher private consumption, Imports rose 5 percent, to 35.6 billion DM from 33.8 billion DM in June, while exports elimbed 8 percent, to 45.5 billion DM from 42.1 billion DM. But economists said that exports were not likely to contribute to growth in West Germany's gross national product this year, project-

ed at 1 to 1.5 percent. Because of the mark's strength was in passenger curs from Asia, and rising private consumption, impons are rising at a faster rate than exports in real terms, resulting in a decline in net exports, said Bank in Liechtenstein GmbH in

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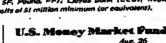
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Mitsui Seeks Safeguard On Investment in Iran **Denies It Plans Eventual Withdrawal**

From Petrochemical Plant Venture

TOKYO -- Missui & Co., the spokesman said. main partner in a consortium building a petrochemical complex in Iran, took a formal step on Wednesday that could lead to its withdrawal from the project.

The company filed a note with Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry reserving its rights to claim government insurance on damage to the Iran-Japan Petrochemical Co. project caused by the Iran-Iraq war, MITI offi-

The 15-year overseas insurance provided by MITI, which covers losses caused by wars, coups and bankrupicies on projects in foreign countries, was to expire Thursday.

MITI sources said Mitsui was Pengeot Closes Plant looking for ways to withdraw from pan's ties with Iran. But a spokesman for Mitsui denied that the move was aimed at paving the way for the group's exit from the pro-

"It's just a technical problem. This doesn't mean that we've decided to withdraw from the pro-

Mitsui heads Iran Chemical Development Co., a group of Japanese companies with a major share in the 50-50 project with Iran. Since Japanese companies have invested 320 billion yen (\$2.25 billion) in the project, and the Iranian government has spent 280 billion yen.

The Mitsui spokesman said the move was aimed at covering the company's 135 billion yen investment if it decided to abandon the project. Under the law governing overseas insurance. Mitsui must prove damage to the project if it chooses to give it up, officials said. It's so hard to prove it. We have

Compiled by Our Staff From Dupatches would never let us in," the Mitsui mists.

made since. Japanese engineers May. abandoned work on it in 1984 after "It

into the site and has declined to specify the damage to the plant

The end of the Iran-Iraq war is said that the deterioration in value (Reuters, AFP)

A British subsidiary of Peugeot the project without damaging Ja- SA, the French automaker, has ended a long-standing contract to change to pay for them, the International Herald Tribune reported from London.

An official at Pengeot Talbot in was intended to free the banks Birmingham said. "We already sus- from much of the pressure debtors because of Iran's failure to pay for discount, suddenly have a very visistocks due for shipment, but this ble - and declining - value. week we've permanently terminated our Iran manufacturing capability by dismanting machinery."

Iran "had been fairly irregular." He said that in the past, Iran had paid by irrevocable letters of credit lodged in London by Iran's central bank. But after a £5 million payment toward the end of last year, the company had not received due compensation for stock on hand.

Peugeot Talbot has supplied more than a million car kits to Iran in the past 18 years, but the volume no idea how much damage there is of shipment has been erranc. Last at the plant site because Iranians year, 13,000 kits were delivered.

Debtor Nations Still Able to Twist Bankers' Arms

LONDON - Debtor countries still have enough muscle to win concessions from creditors despite a new hard line that banks have taken toward Third World loans. according to bankers and econo-

As proof, they cited Argentina's The plant, begun in 1973 at ability to secure generous terms in Bandhar Khomeini in the northern a \$34 billion debt package complet-Gulf, was originally to cost \$3.5 ed on Friday - the first such deal oillion and was 80 percent finished since banks effectively began writat the start of the Iran-Iraq war in ing down the value of billions of 1980, but little progress has been dollars of Third World debt in

"It shows the banks are realizing some were injured in Iraqi attacks, that if you push too much, you The Iranian government has re- don't get anything," said Ingrid fused to allow Japanese officials Iversen an economist at American Express International Bank in Lon-Some bankers and economists

an absolute condition for continuing the project, the Mitsui spokes- of the writedowns, which were supposed to shift the balance of power back to the banks, shows that bankers are gloomier than ever.

The writedowns, an effective acknowledgement that the loans supply car kits to Iran, saying that allowed the banks to sell this debt were worth less than face value. Iran did not have the foreign exmarket, to investors willing to assume the collection risk. Among other things, the move

pended production in December could wield. But the loans, sold at a The Argentine package post-

pones the payment date on some \$30 billion of debt, out of Argenti-The official said payment from na's total of about \$53 billion. It

Notice of Meeting

includes \$1.95 billion of new bank Brazil, which stopped interest payloans and \$2 billion of standby ments on \$68 billion of debt due to Citicorp, the biggest in the United loans and short-term trace credits. It puts off the due date on the rescheduled loans as much as 19 billion. years, and gives Argentina seven

years before any money at all has to be repaid. The interest rate is pegged at 13/16 of a percentage point above the benchmark London interbank offered rate. Libor, the rate at which banks lend each other mon-

Argentina would pay around 7 7/8 percent on these loans, which compares with yields of nearly 9 percent on long-term U.S. govern-

ment bonds. "It is difficult to see why the Argentines should have it so easy," Ms. Iversen said. One reason, bankers say, is a

recognition that political pressures

for freezing or repudiating debt is growing in the Third World. "Debtor countries are under pressure at home. Officials feel they have to be tough and have to be seen to be tough, said Nigel Cobby, a banking analyst at Lon-don brokers Greenwell Montagu.

Bankers say the new money they agreed to lend Argentina is considerable by current standards. Net new lending to the Third World was a meager \$100 million last year, according to the Bank for International Settlements in Basel, which acts as a central bank for the

world's major central banks. But, to many Argentines, it still does not look like much, and there has been speculation in Buenos Aires of a freeze on interest payments or a joint debtors' stand with

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Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders of "The Establishment Trust" a SICAV meanized under the laws of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourge, will be held at the offices of Kredierbank S.A. Luxembourgerise, 43, boulevard Royal, Luxembourger 1LUG a.m. on September 9th, 1987, specifically for the following purposes:

The conduct to the shareholders' meeting shall be governed by a

quorum of 50% of the ourstanding capital. In absence thereof, a second meeting will have to be held within one month's time. Resolutions at the shareholders' meeting shall be passed by a majority of two third of those present or represented and voring. Each share is entitled to one vote. A shareholder may uct at any meeting by proxy.

Amendments to Articles of Incorporation

Amendments of the management fee. Increase of the directors' fees.

That action by Brazil, the Third World's largest debtor, was widely seen as giving debtors a potent new threat with which to wring concessions from banks.

foreign banks in February, out of States, was to set aside billions of its total foreign debt of about \$112 dollars from their profits to cover possible losses

> The price for discounted loans was hardly affected by Brazil's action, but they have fallen by around 25 percent since Ciucorp's move.





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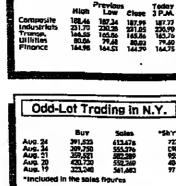
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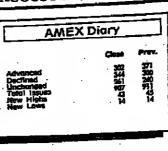


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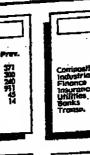
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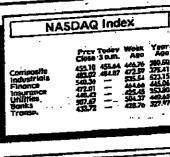
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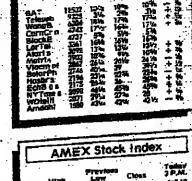
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Dow Jones Averages

Dow Falls Amid Profit-Taking

NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange rapidly extended their losses in active trading Wednesday after drifting at lower

levels for much of the session. According to preliminary figures, the Dow Jones industrial average fell 20.57 to 2.701.85.

The average hab racked up 25.35 points to a record high on Tuesday.

Volume was 195.9 million shares, down from 213.48 million Tuesday, At 3 P.M., declines led advances by an 8-7 ratio.

Prices were mixed in active trading of American Stock Exchange issues.

Traders said prices came under pressure from refit-taking after opening higher on a firmer dollar and steady bond prices. When the dollar relinquished its early strength, equity selling picked up as investors thought it prudent to

cash in on some of the market's recent gains.

Traders said that a shaky start for the influential IBM helped wipe out the stock market's

A Kidder Peabody & Co. analysi, William Easterbrook cut his earnings estimates for the computer giant Tuesday. And there was a report early Wednesday their an enalyst at Salomon Brothers, Marc Schulman, cut his nearterm recommendation for the stock from a

"buy" to 8 "hold."

At 3 P.M., RJR Nabisco and Philip Morris advanced after posting big gains Tuesday on news that the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Bosson ruled that plaintiffs cannot challenge the adequacy of federal laws governing health warnings on cigarette packages.

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IBM Lower on Rating Change

NEW YORK — The share price of Interna-tional Business Machines Corp. (ell Wednesday after a reported change by Saiomon Brothers in its rating of the stock from a buy to a hold. The change in the recommendation briefly delayed trading in the company's stock as the market opened, IBM coded at 167%, down 4%, and was the most actively traded stock of the day.

On Tuesday, Kidder Peabody removed IBM from its selected buy list and lowered its estimates of the company's earnings. But analysts said that the computer giant's outlook was still bright.

Loews was up 6% to 87%. Salomoo Brothers emphasized that the stock is the best buy in the tobacco group. Allegis was up 3 to 90%. Lufthansa said it was joterested in buying the company's Hilton Hotel chain.

Among actively traded blue chips, AT&T, General Electric, American Express, General Motors and USX were all lower.

CBS was up 8½ to 206 after Drexel Burnham Lambert added the stock to its buy list and raised its 1987 and 1988 earnings estimates for

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Lufthansa Considers Buying Hilton From Allegis

By Ferdinand Proteman FRANKFURT - Deutsche

day it was considering buying the the Hilton International botel chain from Allegis Corp. of the United States.

Allegis is a travel services conglomerate centered around United Airlines, a Chicago-based carrier. A spokesman for Lufthansa confirmed news reports that the West German airline was considering entering negotiations to purchase the chain of luxury hotels. But he said that about 35 other companies also had expressed interest in acquiring

Nobel Unit Bidding for Danish Firm

By Juris Kaza Special to the Herald Tribune
STOCKHOLM — A subsidiary
of Sweden's Nobel Industries AB
said Wednesday that it is making a
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the Danish paint, ink, adhesives and chemicals group at 625 million Darish kroner (\$89 million). Tile subsidiary, Casco Nobel AB, which makes paints and adheives, said it is offering 745 kroner o holders of class A shares and 345 aroner to holders of B shares. The B snares have one-fifth of the A

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The shares in the company, Denman : a targest in this field, were ing talks between the two companies that resulted in the announcemeni late Wednesday, Before suspension, A shares were trading

at 650 kroner and B shares at 298, In a joint statement, the companies said they had complementary activities on many markets, and would form a larger and more efficient unit to compete in Europe, S&H has been experiencing

weak earnings while the Nobel sub-sidiary has performed strongly. In 1986, S&H had profit of only 3 million kroner on sales of 2.1 biluon kroner. Two-thirds of sales were exports.

Casco Nobel's 1986 pretax profit jumped 74 percent to 279 million Swedish kronor (\$44 million at cur-

Streug, an analyst at Privatbanken prosched in June for help, BankA-

The Hilton International chain Lufthansa would finance the pur- tel interests which are doing well." outside the United States and has hotel chain's shares to the public. It their range of travel-related ser-Lufthansa AG, West Germany's state-owned airline, said Wednes. down to be the third-largest hotel chain in the world.

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The spokesman would not comment on a report in Die Welt, a West German newspaper, that Lulthansa began negotiations with Allegis four weeks ago on a possi-ble purchase of the hotels. Allegis also owns the Hertz car rental com-

West German press reports said that Allegis has put a price of just under 2 hillion DM (\$1.09 billion) According to newspaper reports,

consists of 90 hotels in 43 countries chase by selling 75 percent of the he said, "and this would broaden would retain a 10 percent stake in vices and insulate them somewhat Hilton's equity while Deutsche from the fickleness of the airline Bank AG, West Germany's largest industry." commercial bank, would hold 15 Lufthansa holds a 10 percent

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"It could be quite a successful But financing an acquisition of move depending on the financing Hilton could be a burden for and whether Lufthansa can put to—Lufthansa, analysis said, as the gether the right management for company aggressively seeks to ex-Hilton," said Mark Hawtin, a West pand its airline business. Lufthan-German equities analyst for Ark sa's plans include substantial pur-

Clore Stake in Rorer Puts Robins Merger at Risk decided whether to increase his holdings in By Geraldine Fabrikant See Yor Times Server

NEW YORK - An announcement by the Swiss investor Alan E. Clore that he might seek control of Rorer Group lne. could derail the drug company's proposed merger with A.H. Robins Co., analysts say.

Mr. Clore, who has previously bought large stakes in Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., Allied Stores Corp. and Gulf Re-sources & Chemical Corp., disclosed late Tuesday that he owns 12.2 percent, or 2.7 multion shares, of Rorer's stock outstanding. In a filing with the Securities and Exchange

Commission, Mr. Clore said he had asked the Justice Department and the Federal Trade Commission for permission to increase his stake in Rorer to 25 percent.
The SEC filing said that Mr. Clore had not

Rorer, which is based in Fort Washington,

Pennsylvania. Stock in Rorer closed Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange at \$52,125, up 87.5

David MacCallum, an analyst with Hamhrecht & Quist, said one major risk was that Mr. Clore's move might unravel the delicate negotiations between Rorer and Robins, the manufacturer of the Dalkon Shield contraceptive that has filed for bankruptcy protection. The company faces thousands of law-

suits concerning the intrauterine device.

The Rorer Robins merger includes a \$725 million stock swap, a \$1.75 billion trust fund for the 320,000 Dalkon Shield claimants and a \$120 million trust fund for Robins's other creditors. The claimants have said they would

oppose the merger because they regarded their fund as inadequate.

At least one arbitrager was skeptical that Mr. Clore would make a hid for the company. "Aside from his acquisition of Gulf Resources, Clore has generally talked more than

he has acted," said the arbitrager, who asked not to be named. He noted that Mr. Clore had said be would go after Revion Group Inc. Mr. Clore originally began to buy shares in the Rorer Group in the fall of 1985 and increased his stake to 15.1 percent. In May

1986, he began selling shares, and a year later his holdings were down to 12.3 percent. The group led by Mr. Clore includes Nerval & Manor Inc., a company controlled by Mr. Clore, as well as two partnerships under

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have each acquired 2,750,000 shares of

CDC Life Sciences Inc.

The undersigned acted as financial advisor in this transaction.

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Bank Rejects TRI Offer for Fermenta

STOCKHOLM — A bid for Fermenta AB, the troubled Swedish biotechnology company, by Trans Resources Inc. of the United States has stalled after a major shareholder. Nordbanken, rejected the offer on Wednesday.

In July, Trans Resources, a private manufacturer of specialty fer-tilizers, offered about 1.36 billion kronor (\$212 million) for Fermenta. TRI offered 12 kronor each for class A voting shares and 6.75 kronor for class B shares, which

have restricted votes. Nordbanken's vice president, Gunnar Lundh, said Wednesday that the offer for the B shares was too low. Nordbanken, which has a 10 percent stake in Fermenta, holds

largest shareholder, has agreed in million kronor and owes Nurdban-principle to sell its 40 percent to ken 155 million kronor. TRI if at least 90 percent of the The many small investors who. shareholders accept the bid. Indus- along with Nordhanken, are the trivarden said that Fermenta's chief holders of B shares, have bank debts were three times as high complained about the large price as the offering price, and its man-aging director, Kjell Brandstrom, shares. The minor shareholders said he still hoped the deal would control 65 percent of equity in the

company.

TRI must present a formal offer to all shareholders by Sept. 30.

At the end of last year, Fermen-"The bid is to the shareholders' advantage," he said. "TRI has agreed to pay almost twice the real value of a company, which will per-haps carry on losing money." Gotabanken, another Swedish misleading. The company was de-listed on the Stockholm bourse for bank, which holds about 11 percent

of Fermenta, on Tuesday accepted TRI's offer of 12 kronor a share for its A-share holding.

Fermenta's sales in 1986 totaled lainly B shares.

Fermenta owes Gotabanken — 3 hillion kronor, and TRI's the Industrivarden AB. Fermenta's its biggest bank creditor — 800 equivalent of 635 million kronor.

Stock Exchange on Monday pend- 9 Japanese Banks Will Buy Corporate Notes From BofA

banks have agreed to huy \$130 million in corporate securives that BankAmerica Corp. will issue to strengthen its capital base, Japa-nese bankers said Wednesday.

A BankAmerica spokesman confirmed that agreement was reached Wednesday between the banks to buy a proportion of the total \$250 million of the subordinated capital notes that the bank wants to issue.

A subordinated note represents

corporate deht that is repayable the interest rate on the notes to 1.25 only after other creditors with high-

tion kronor in 1985.

"I absolutely think that both companies will gain," said Henrik banks that the U.S. bank ap-

losses in loans 10 developing coun-TOKYO — Nine Japanese uties in the past year and has asked Japanese financial institutions for

support. .
BankAmerica has also asked about 40 Japanese insurance companies to buy \$100 million in preferred stock.

Bankers said that although the nine banks and BankAmerica have already agreed to improve the terms of the planned issue, the final terms may be changed. BankAmerica has agreed to raise

percentage point over the three-month London interbank offered rate from an originally proposed I point premium, the bankers said. It has also agreed to give up its merica has suffered a string of the notes to 12 percent. plan to limit the maximum rate on

Electrolux Profit Climbs by 12%

ta's auditors reported serious financial irregularities and said com-

pany profit forecasts had been

misconduct in January, and it is

still under police investigation.

STOCKHOLM - Electrolux AB said Wednesday that profit rose 12 percent in the first half to 1.50 billion kronor (\$234.8 million) from 1.34 bilhon kronor a year earlier,

It said that most of the increase came in the second quarter, ended June 30. Although a decline in the dollar limited the company's profit and revenue, sales advanced 41 percent, to 33.22 billion kronor from 23.57 billion in the first half of 1986.

The sales gain resulted largely from the acquisitions of White Consolidated Industries Inc., Industrie Zanussi SpA and Gotthard Nilsson.

Sony's Profit Plunged 59% In Quarter Ended June 30 GENERALI counting for 30.8 percent of total Compiled by Our Staff From Duputches sales, fell 6.8 percent from a year earlier because of the yen's rise, TOKYO - Sony Corp., the

leading Japanese maker of consumer electronics, reported Wednesday that its group net profit fell 59 percent to 3.38 billion yen (\$23.6 million at current rates) in the last quarter. The company blamed the yen's steep rise and intensifying competition overseas for the fall. The earnings for the first fiscal quarter ending June 30 amounted

to 14.62 yen (10.3 cents) per share and compares with 8.30 billion yen or 35.9 yen per share a year cardier.
Sony's revenue fell 1.7 percent,
to 311.4 hillion yen from 316.9 billion yen. The dollar's plunge to
about 142 yen from 169 a year ago
reduced first quarter sales by 25

moto, Sony's managing director. The company also attributed the profit decline to a troubled world economy, including tension between Japan and its trading part-

billion yen, said Tsunao Hashi-

"During Sony's first quarter the world economy was plagued by a variety of problems, including mounting trade friction, rising interest rates and uneasiness over the situation in the Gulf," the company

Sony, like the rest of Japan's electronics companies, said that its domestic shipments rose but that overseas sales, which make up two-Sales in the United States, ac-

despite an increase in sales of compact disc players, audio tapes and floppy-disk drives. Sales in Europe rose 4.6 percent

to 66.59 billion yen, reflecting strong sales of video cameras for industrial use, audio equipment and color televisions, Mr. Hashimoto said.

Sales to other areas, including Southeast Asia, fell 6.7 percent to 49.65 billion yen. Domestic sales rose 2.2 percent

to 99.33 billion yea. Net profit also was reduced by a 81 percent drop in income from forward foreign exchange con-tracts, to 1.99 billion yen from 10.50 billion yen a year earlier, and by a decline in interest income.

Mr. Hashimoto said that Sony now expects group net profit to rise 30 percent to 32.50 billion yen in the full fiscal year ending March

The company had earlier forecast a net profit of 30 hillion yen for 1987-88. Sony also raised its sales projection for 1987-88 to 1.38 trillion yen from an earlier forecast

Mr. Hashimoto said that the revised forecast reflected expectations of strong sales of home audio equipment and industrial-use video thirds of revenue, fell 3.5 percent. equipment, as well as the launch of new products. (Reuters, AP)

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1986 Highlights

000 US Dollars]	1986	1985
Premiums written	2.641.650	2,519,226
Premiums ceded	- 415.395	- 349.324
Net premiums	2,226,255	2,169.902
Net investment income	545.236	508,019
Technical interest allocated to Life funds	- 272,812	- 249,204
Insurance underwriting result	- 70,606	- 94.772
Sundry income and expenditure	- 18.365	<u> </u>
Operating profit	183,453	146,595
Profit on sale of properties and securities	67,059	63.117
Unrealized capital losses on securities Allocation to reserve for realized	- 10,788	- 7,833
capital gains to be reinvested	- 16.373	- 22,793
Taxes	- 61.970	_ 51,674
Total other items	- 22,072	- 19,183
Profit for the year	161,381	127,412

Head Office in Trieste (Italy)

1986 Consolidated Statement

	1986	1985	ASSETS (000 US Dollars)	1986	1985
	2.641.650	2,519,226	Building and farm property	3,005,467	2,879,030
	- 415.395	- 349,324	Fixed-interest securities	8,482,512	7.304,659
	2,226,255	2,169,902	Shares (including Associates)	1,392,861	1,046,163
_		2,109.902	Mortage and policy loans	937.140	782,238
			Deposits with Ceding Companies	393.134	410,867
	545.236	508,019	Bank deposits	638,559	598,856
ed to Life funds	- 272,812	- 249.204	Accounts receivable and other assets	1.924,792	1,739,037
esult	- 70,606	- 94.772		16,774,465	14,760,850
nditur e	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Total	10,114,403	144,100,030
	183,453	146,595	LIABILITIES (000 US Dollars)		
es and securities	67.059	63.117	Provisions for insurance liabilities	12,992,032	11,395,193
on securities	- 10,788	- 7,833	Reinsurance deposits	189,241	179,999
realized			Other liabilities	1,504,765	1,381,855
sted	- 16.373	- 22.793	Minority shareholders' interest	262,039	215,839
	<u> </u>	_ 51,674	Shareholders' surplus	1,529,984	1,364,059
	- 22,072	- 19,183	Prolit for the year	296,404	223,905
	161,381	127,412	Total	16,774,465	14,760,850

All of above-listed figures have been converted at the rate of exchange of Lire 1.351.10 to the US Dollar.

Regional U.S. Banks Merge **For National Competition**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BOSTON — Shawmet Corp. and Hartford National Corp., two small U.S. banking companies, said they approved a merger Wednes-day creating a banking and financial services organization with \$25 officials said. Shawmit holders will billion in assets and the intention

to compete nationally. The move is the latest in a spate groups seeking to establish a stronger market position.

The merged company, to be called Shawmut National Corp., would become the 21st largest U.S. bank holding company, officials said. The merger must be approved would continue serving their preby the companies' shareholders.

ters in Boston, has assets exceeding and consolidating costs. \$10 billion, 15 commercial banking subsidiaries and 15 additional sub- looked at troubled thrift institusidiary and affiliate companies tions in other parts of the country with offices in 42 U.S. cities, Lon- and may acquire such an organiza-

don and Hong Kong. Hartford National Corp., based in Hartford, Connecticut, is the largest bank holding company in the state with assets of over \$14 cials said.

franchise of 250 offices. Each Harriord National sharebolder will receive one share in the new company for each Hartford share held on the transaction date,

John P. LaWare, chief executive offices of Shawmut, will become of mergers of U.S. regional banking chairman of the new corporation and Joel B. Alvord, chief executive officer of Hartford National, will serve as president and chief executive officer.

In a joint statement, the two executives said that the two banks sent markets while expanding fi-Shawmut Corp., with headquar-nancial products and streamlining

Mr. Laware said the banks have tion soon.

Individual shareholder meetings

· Gross premiums written by the Company totalled US\$ 2.641.6m of which USS 842.9m for Life and US\$ 1.798.7m for Nou-Life. • Total investments reached US\$ 6.072m

> • Net investment income totalled US\$ 545.2m showing a growth of 16.8% at homogeneous conditions. The average yield has been 9.7%. Realized capital gains generated from the sale of securities amounted to USS 50.7m and from the sale for properties to USS 16.4m which were allocated to the reserve for realized capital

showing a growth of 17.8%.

gains to be reinvested.

• The year's profit showing a growth of 26.7% over the previous year, amounted to US\$ 161.4m of which US\$ 86.4m for Life and US\$ 75m for Non-Life.

Profit per share (Dollars) 1986 1985 Profit 0.922 1.019 Dividend 0.444 0.444 Pay-out ratio (per cent)

• USS 67.7m from the year's profit were allocated to the extraordinary reserve.

 The shareholders surplus including the year's profit reached USS 1.026.2m showing an increase of USS 116.5m over the previous year. The dividend amounts to US\$ 0.444 per share, showing an increase of 40% over

1985 taking into account the increase of the capital from 250 to 350 billion Lire. The General Meeting approved the increase of the capital from 350 to 420 billion Lire through the issue of bonus shares - bearing dividends as from January 1. 1987 - to be assigned to the shareholders in the propor-

tion of I new share for every 5 shares held.

 This Balance Sheet consolidates 49 insurance companies operating in some forty markets. (including 6 Europ Assistance companies). 17 financial. 20 property and 3 agricultural companies where Generali directly or indirectly holds more than 50% of the shares.

• Gross premiums amounted to US\$ 5.803.5m (+9%), of which USS 1.771.6 for Life and US\$ 4.031.9 for Non-Life. The geographical break-down is as follows: Italy 35%: other EEC Countries 41.2%; rest of Europe 19.2%; rest of the world

• Investments total US\$ 14.849.7m (+14%).

• Investment income amounts to US\$ 1.296.9m [+9.5%] of which 65.9% is produced by fixed-interest securities. 16.4% property, 5% shares, 4.3% bank deposits and 8.4% other investments.

• The provisions for insurance liabilities amount to US\$ 12.992m (+14%).

• The shareholders' surplus amounts to US\$ 1.754.5m and B7.2% belongs to the Parent Company, the minority interest being 12.8%.

 The profit for the year increased by 32.4% to USS 296.4m and originated from:

(000 US Dollars)	1986	1985
Parent Company's profit Profit of the other	161,381	127,412
Companies.	191.547	130.928
Consolidation adjustments	-19,028	-10.939
Consolidated profit	333,900	247,401
Minority interest	-37.496	-23,496

296,404 223,905

Parent Company: Assicurazioni Generali

Profit for the year

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NYSE Highs-Lows

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Australia's GDP Rose 2% in Year Agency France-Presse

CANBERRA. Australia - Australia's gross domesuc product grew by 2 percent in the year to June 30, including a 4.9 percent gain in the final quarter, the Bureau of Statistics said



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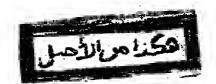
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Compiled by Our Stoff From Disputches LONDON — The dollar closed slightly higher Wednesday in Europe against most currencies, but off highs reached when a Federal Reserve Board governor, Robert Heiler, said that he did not want the U.S. currency to fall further,

"Short of figures, the dollar is being governed by statements," one dealer said, noting that Mr. Heller's comment reinforced the harrage of verbal interventions ade in the past 24 hours by U.S., Japanese and West German offi-

The dollar hit highs of 1.8335 Deutsche marks and 143.70 yen in afternoon trading when Mr. Heller, attending an economic forum in Austria, told reporters that a stable ioliar was necessary to preserve the pasie confidence of domestie and

oreign investors. In quiet London trading, the dolar slipped from these highs to close n 1.8260 DM, still above Tues-

PARIS -- The dollar's drop has pushed the

but the French government is eager to avoid a

devaluation within the European Monetary

System aheard of presidential elections in May, economists and banking sources say.

"The government is not prepared to devalue six months before the election," one economist or a Paris bank said. "That is not a signal of

Yet the French finance ministry is a major

Several economists here and in London said

force behind a number of proposed changes to

the EMS likely to be discussed at a routine

the pressure on the franc was not strong, noting

that it has remained atop the eight-currency

EMS mechanism that limits exchange-rate fluc-

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ground. Speculative pressure could occur swift-

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143.05 yen, which was actually below the Tuesday close of 143.15. The dollar also firmed slightly to 1.5040 Swiss francs from 1.5030. and to 6,1000 French france after

The British pound also eased to \$1.6155 from \$1.6180. Although Mr. Heller's comments echoed those from other officials, dealers have reported little active dollar buying by central banks, aside from modest purchases on Monday by the Bank of Japan.

The dollar lost ground after the United States released its second-Quarter trade figures, which day's finish at 1.8235 DM, and at showed the merchandise trade deli-

cit had widened to \$39.5 billion in the April to June period, the largest shortfall on record for a threemonth period,

Some analysts say that one reason why central banks in West Germany and Japan could be refraining from more active dollar support is because of the resulting money supply problems. When the Bundesbank and the Bank of Japan sell their domestic currencies and buy dollars, they note, it swells the local money supply.

One analyst said that partly as a result of massive intervencion this spring to support the dollar, money supply growth in West Germany and Japan overshot its targets.

In earlier European trading, the dollar was fixed higher in Frank-furt at 1.8267 DM from 1.8205 on Tuesday, and in Paris at 6.1000 French francs after 6.0855.

The dollar also edged higher to close in Zurich at 1.5040 Swiss francs from Tuesday's 1.4995.

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(Continued from first finance page) creased \$2.5 billion, almost half of

it in autos. Exports also showed some

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The United States got a fifth of its \$3 billion rise in exports from the agricultural sector. The volume of goods shipped rose 8 percent. Agricultural exports increased 9

agricultural exports increased 5 percent to \$52.8 billion. The overall deficit with Japan expanded \$100 million in the April-June quarter, to \$14.3 billion. The deficit with Western Europe widened \$1 hillion to \$6.9 billion. The deficit with Canada shrank \$1.3

billon to \$2.6 billion. The Commerce Department reported that during the first half of the year the deficit was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$156.56 billion, compared with a deficit of \$144.34 billion for all of 1986. (Reuters, UPI, AP)

French Favor Structural EMS Changes, Not a Lower Franc

intervention required to keep the franc within its permitted EMS limits, economists coted. The mark rose to a Paris fixing of 3.3436 francs on Wednesday, its highest level since early June, although still well below its central EMS rate of 3.35386, and thus also below its upper limit that requires central bank interven-

France withdrew in early January from the

But Paul Chertkow, director of currency eco-nomics for London-based brokers Hoare Govett, said a change of parities could still occur

fairly soon. He noted mounting speculation that European finance ministers at a routine meeting in Nyborg, Denmark, on Sept. 12 and 13 could also discuss far-reaching technical changes to

One of these changes would reduce the lira's permitted divergence band in the rate mechanism to 4 percent from the current 6 percent. Other currencies are allowed a 2.25 percent

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divergence limit from their central rates. Also, the ministers will discuss bringing the British pound into the exchange rate mechanism and dismantling Belgium's two-tier system, in use since the late 1940s.

In exchange for the concessions, in some cases less-than-popular with the governments involved, finance ministers are likely to discuss lifting the obligation to restore stability from the weakest-currency nation alone.

Instead of focusing on the divergence of one currency from another, Mr. Chertkow said that regulations would be strengthened that require central banks to act when currencies diverge greatly from a central rate against the European Currency Unit, the European Community's

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The Associated Press

NEW YORK --- Oil prices rallied Wednesday in trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange, topping the \$19 mark for the first percent, to \$7.1 billion, while nontime since last week, on reports that OPEC was taking steps to curb overproduction.

> October contracts for West Texas Intermediate, the U.S. benchmark crude, were trading at \$19.22 at midday, up 58 cents.

Crude prices had closed just 4 cents higher Tuesday after fluctuating amid uncertainty over whether the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries would be able to rein in its output, which has been exceeding the needs of world mar-

"It appears the market has shaken off the emotion it had with OPEC's high production." Boh Baker, an analysi ai Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., oo

Prices had been declining in response to reports that the 13-nation cartel had been exceeding its overall quota of 16.6 million barrels a ers who were already overwhelmed day by up to 3 million barrels. That brought fears that more cheating by OPEC producers might lead to a price war and aoother market

Mr. Lukman, who serves as Ni-geria's oil minister, also said he had called for meetings of OPEC committees on pricing and production.

The cartel's news agency. OPECNA, reported that Mr. Lukman would meet in Vienna with the oil ministers of Venezuela and Indonesia to discuss the problem.

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THIOKOL: Rocket Firing Is a Chance at Redemption

(Continued from first finance page) What Shuttle projects have slipped away. Employees, though not top management, blame the accident **Morton Thickol** Just as criticism of Thiokol's re-

fade on Capitol Hill two months ago, the Pentagon announced that it was withholding \$1 million B month, or 10 percent of its payments to the company, until Thiokel cleaned up its work on the first stage of the MX missile, which has been plagued by troubles in the navigational system made by Nor-

throp Corp. To those who followed the shuttle investigation, the air force's complaints sounded familiar. 'I don't want to say flat out that

it's sloppy workmanship. Lieuten-ant Colonel Barry Glickman, a spokesman for the Ballistic Missile Office, said in response to a query about Thiokol's performance on the MX. "But it's close to it."

Company officials say they were working to solve the MX problems long before the air force got involved, and they insist the project is we had some people not fol-

lowing instructions," said Mr. Gar-rison, the head of the aerospace group who has worked for Thiokol for 34 years. Problems aside, he said, tests have shown that Thio-kol's part of the MX "has the highest reliability for any first stage of any missile."

Nonetheless, the MX dispute by the details of getting the shuttle

flying again.

"They have been so busy with the shuttle," an air force general familiar with the company said re-cently, "that they've barely had time to think of anything else." So enormous is the task that Thi-

okol's space division, which fell to about 1,750 employees in the days after the accident, has now swelled to 2,800, and 400 more engineers and support staff will be hired in 1988.

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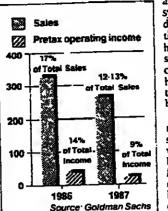
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ing more than \$400 million, and that is work from which Thickol gets no profit. The company will make substantial profits, bowever, from the sale of the actual rockets. Its lock on booster manufacturing for NASA has been extended to the mid-1990s, prompting sharp criticism from some members of Con-

Even with the influx of new tal- 10 the company. ent, the redesign has not gone en-tirely smoothly. Thursday's test fir-ing was originally scheduled to take place three months ago. But tonling problems and worries about the design of a new J seal, which insulates the rocket's four major joints. caused postponements.

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the panel's urging, there has been no parallel development of an al-ternative in case Thursday's test

"It's not really Thiokol's fault," said John Thomas, the NASA engineer who is overseeing Thiokol's work on the booster. "There are just not enough resources, in manufacturing or testing, to carry an

alternate design along. "Something we are worried about, to be quite frank, is that the system will overreact" to the accident, said John D. Thirkill, a longtime Thiokol manager brought hack to Brigham City by Mr. Garrison to take over as general manager of the Wasatch operations. "We have to be careful because any controls we put in place now we won't be able to pull off easily later on."

His concern goes to the heart of the fast-changing economics of the space shuttle: A space vehicle that was only marginally economical before the Challenger accident is fast becoming uneconomical in the disaster's aftermath. With the number of scheduled flights vastly reduced, the cost of each set of booster rockets will rise to about \$25 million, from about \$16 million before the accident.

Even then, Thiokol officials realize it will take far longer than expected to recoup their huge investment in giant propellant mixers, test stands and other major equipment built to support upward of 24 flights a year. Thus, contracts for manufacturing unmanned rockets are becoming even more important

In the next few weeks Thiokol officials expect to hear whether they have won, along with United Technologies Corp., the maio subcontract for manufacturing the Air Force's new Titan 4 rockets, which will carry some payloads originally intended for the shuttle.

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But the first priority is to get past Thursday's test, the first of six fulldesign is high, the company and NASA have been criticized by an scale firings that Mr. Garrison asoutside panel of National Research serts will make the redesigned Council experts for putting all of their hopes on one design. Despite examined rocket in the world."

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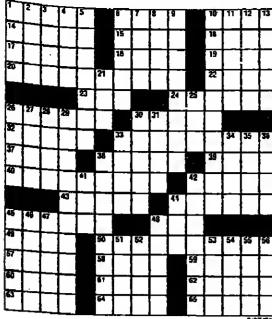
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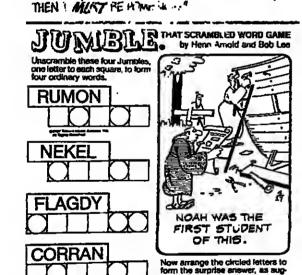
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BOOKS

STRAIGHT ON TILL MORNING: The Biography of Beryl Markham

By Mary S. Lovell. 408 pages. \$16.95. St. Martin's Press Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10010.

Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

BERYL MARKHAM'S lyrical autobiogra-phy "West With the Night," gives us a portrait of the author as a worker blessed with special understanding of the East Africa of her youth, a woman who was a supremely competent professional, equally adept at writ-ing, training racehorses and flying planes. "I could compute that I had flown a quarter

of a million miles," she wrote, explaining how she had come to be the first person to fly solo across the Atlantic from east to west. "And I could foresee that, so long as I had a plane and the sky was there, I should go on flying more miles. There was nothing extraordinary in this. I had learned a craft and had worked hard learning it. My hands had been taught to seek the controls of a plane. Usage had taught them. They were at ease clinging to a stick, as a cobbler's fingers are in repose grasping an awi. No human pursuit achieves dignity until it can be called work, and when you can experience a physical localiness for the tools of your trade. physical loneliness for the tools of your trade, you see that the other things - the experiments, the irrelevant vocations, the vanities you used to hold - were false to you.

Mary Lovell's new biography, which places considerable emphasis on those extraneous experiments and vanities, gives us a picture of Markham considerably at odds with the avia-tor's self-portrait. Lovell's Markham is a selfindulgent adventuress, inept at handling money and emotions, irresponsible as a friend and negligent as a mother. Having abandoned care of her son Gervase to her mother-in-law when he was still an infant, Markham saw little of him when she was living nearby in London; and when he lay dying from injuries sustained in a car accident in 1971, she made no effort to see him. "Many of her recent friends," writes

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Lovell, "were not even aware that she had a

As her biographer sees it, Markhani's "physical self-confidence and emotional awkwardness" were largely the result of her anomalous childhood in Kenya and her lack of a conven-tional family life. Having been taken there at the age of 4 hy her parents, Beryl was soon abandoned by her mother, who unable to sustain the loneliness and isolation, returned home to England. Preoccupied with the challenge of establishing a farm, her adored father left her to the care of a series of governesses, whom she routinely termented by placing spiders in their beds. Her most constant companions were neighboring African children, and she grew up learning how to speak the local languages as well as how to hunt with a bow

and arrow and a spear.

In time, she would translate those physical. skills and her sense of daring to the racetrack and to the skies, she would win acclaim and popularity for her achievements and she would write a book that Hemingway said made him "completely ashamed of myself as a writer."
For some reason, however, none of these talents enables Markham to support herself (when she died in 1986, she was drawing upon a fund started on ner behalf by various aviation and racing world friends), and neither her three marriages nor frequent tove affairs would

prove emotionally sustaining.
The affair with Denys Finch Hatton, Karen Bis ear's great love; the fling with Prince Hen-ry, me duke of Gloucester; the flight across the Atlantic; the encounters with wild animals and Happy Valley socialites in Kenya — the bare-coned facts of Markham's life, alone, provide a dramatic story; and in this respect, "Straight on Till Morning" does make for absenting

reading. Union unately, Lovell often puts little effort into pinning down the truth - a not unimportant exercise, given all the rumors and gossip that followed in Markham's wake. And she is equally lax when it comes to conveying her subject's inner life.

Clearis Markham, who was notoriously reticent about herself, could not have been an easy subject to portray, but the reader still expects her biographer to illuminate such issues by sifting and collating the available evidence. In this case, we are simply told, again and again, that Markham was fearless, that she was selfreliant, that she was charming, that she was better at developing friendships with animals than sustaining relationships with other human beings; and we begin to notice that descriptions of specific flights and specific racehorses are accorded more space than Markham's marriages or attempts to write. Indeed we finish "Straight on Till Morning" dismayed by the erratic course of Markham's life but ignorant of the woman herself. Better, one concludes, to simply read "West With the

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BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

F you start an argument about the best American partnership, the selection is made simpler by excluding winners of world team champ? onships and those who have won the team trials that qualify for such events. Then the cognoscenti would surely select Marty Bergen of White Plains, New York and Larry Cohen of Little Falls, New Jering clubs withcred on the vine scy who have a time record in national events in the last five years. Bergen and Cohen have ideas, one of which came into pla; on the diagramed deal rom the recen Spingolo Knockout Team Champion-ship in Baltimore. In their methods the three no-trump response showed opening val-ues, flat distribution, and three-card support from partto select a game, and Bergen chose to pass. That left Cohen with an interesting playing problem when a club was led

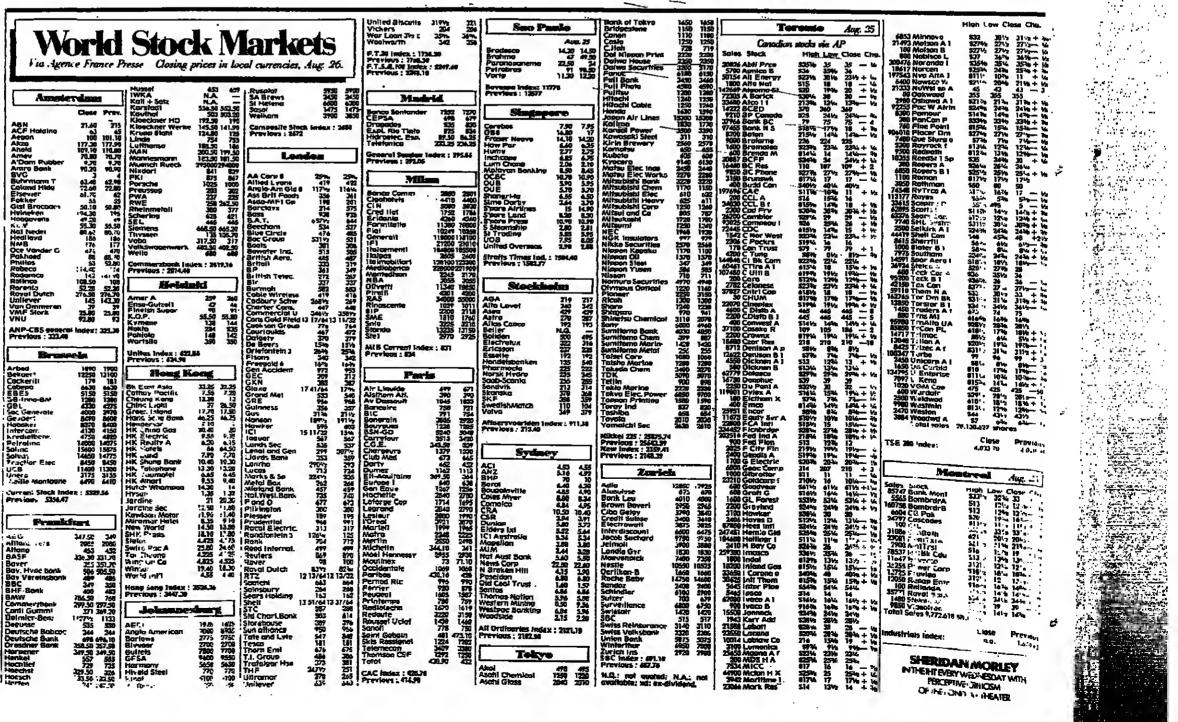
to the jack and his king. The normal play in spades was clearly hopeless, so South had to consider whether to try to run nine quick tricks. That could be done if the neart suit produced four tricks. It was clear that West held at most four more chibs, so Cohen made a fine move by leading that suit and putting West to the test. He failed it by playing the nine, and his three remain-

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West could not be our of the location of the crub queen. although he knew that his part per had at most one more that. If he had attempted the crocodile coup by putting up the ace be would have succeeded in swallowing the queen. That would have left South with the problem of guessing the heart position in the end game, after West's clubs had been cashed.

in the replay, the club suit presented different problems East led the clob queen against four spades and as the caros lie North should have covered with the king to block the suit. Not unnaturally be played low, and played low again, when the jack was led. West played low, and discovered in the port-mortem that he should have overtaken with the ace and given his partner a ruff. That play certainly offered the best chance for a successful

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SPORTS



Bed Sox pitcher Al Nipper was felled in the fifth iming Tuesday night when Donnie Hill's one-before being traded to Montreal for shortstop Tim Foli in 1977. Then

Speier's Home Run Beats Phils, Widens Giants' Lead

Speier, once a young phenom for Cubs last year). San Francisco, has become an old

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

hero. Speier, 37, hit a home run to snap an eighth-inning tie as the Giants beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 3-2, here Tuesday night, The victory widened San Francisco's lead over Housion in the National League West to 11/2-games.

With one out in the eighth and the score at 2-2, Speier hammered n Kevin Gross curveball off the leftfield foul pole for his 10th homer of a two-run homer io a 6-I victory

After only one season in the mi-nors, Speier became San Francisco's regular shortstop in 1971, the last year the Giants woo their divi-He was a three-time All-Star

Speier then became a free agent - and hooked back on with San Francisco, where he has filled in at second, short and third when injuries sidelined younger players. In 266 at-bats this year, he is hitting .248, with 34 runs batted in and two grand-slam home runs. Afield, he's made only three errors.

"Chris Speier is the most valuable player on this ballclub," said Roger Craig after Tuesday's game. Informed of his manager's remark. Speier laughed. "That must be a the season. On Monday, he had hit difficult thing for him, to give me such a compliment," he said. "My hat's off to everyone on the club.
I'm just thankful in be part of it."

> Pirates 1, Reds 0: In Pittsburgh, rookie Mike Dunne pitched a twohitter for his first major league

Dodgers 3, Mets 1: In New York, John Shelby hit a two-run homer in

Coleman tripled in a two-run see- and Benito Santiago capped it with ond as the Cardinals snapped a five- a three-run shot.

Molitor's Streak Alive at 39

MTLWAUKEE - Paul Molitor kept his hitting streak alive at 39

cames Tuesday with a single off Cleveland reliever Don Gordon.

Milwaukee's designated hitter had flied out, walked and grounded out before lining Gordoo's first pitch of the sixth maning for a single to

right field. "I can't say I was worried," Molitor said, "But it looked

like one of those nights when you swing the bat well and come up empty." He finished 1-for-4 as Milwaukee beat the Indians, 10-9.

Molitor's streak is the fifth longest in the major leagues since 1900. He trails Ty Cobb by one game, George Sisler (41 straight), Pete Rose

(44) and Joe DiMaggio (56). Molitor was to try to tie Cohb here

Said Molitor about the streak's eventual end: "Being realistic, you

know the moment is a day away, five hours away, two weeks away it's going to happen." But, he added, "I'm not in any burry."

Wednesday night against Cleveland's John Farrell.

Compiled in Our Staff From Doposities came stops in St. Louis, Minnesota the first inning, helping Fernando game losing streak against Houston.

PHILADELPHIA — Chris and Chicago (he hit 284 for the Valenzuela beat the Mets.

Padres 5 Expos 1: In San Diego. Cardinals 7, Astros I: In St. Stan Jefferson triggered a five-run Louis, Lance Johnson and Vince third with a bases-empty home run.

Tigers 5, Twins 4: In the American League, in Minneapolis, Doyle Alexander beat Minnessua for the second time in a week.

Blue Jays 6, Mariners 3: In Scattle, Fred McGriff drove in three runs with a double and his 17th.

homer of the year to spark Toronto. Athletics 9, Orioles 7: In Oakland, California, two-run homers i by Steve Henderson and Mickey Tettleton highlighted a six-run fifth

that rallied the A's. Angels 5, Vankees I: In Anaheim, California, John Candelaria scattered six hits over eight shutout. innings to lift California.

Rangers 15, Royals 8: In Kansas Cily, Missouri, Ruben Sierra went 4-for-5 with two homers and scored the tie-breaking run in the seventh. Red Sox 7. White Sox 3: In Boston, rookie Sam Horn hit two bases-empty homers, and Marty Barrett and Dwight Evans added RBI singles as the Red Sox downed

Summer Game Revs Up for an Autumnal Cardiac

WASHINGTON - O.K., every-

pool. Put your sand shovels back in the cattery drawer. The only way to face life after Labor Day - back to work, back to school - is with pennant races. Real ones. The kind they have in the National League, where blood fends and brushbacks aren't endangered species and where DH stands for doubleheader.

Sure, end of vacation and you're not feeling so hot. There's a cure, Catch up on the summer game in time for an autumn cardiac. Go on, confess: You've lapsed.

The last time you really studied the stats Mark McGwire still had a shot at 62 home runs, the St. Louis Cardinals looked like a playoff lock and Paul Molitor was on the alldisappointment team. August does il to the best of us. Forgive us, baseball, for we've sinned.

Anything from here on in could be crucial because nobody has yet figured out the first thing about the all-Canada World Series, eh? 1987 season. Who thought the best

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American League's easy. Three pret-root against a team whose four top ty good teams in the East and one starters have a collective earned it's not owned by someone named run average over 5.00? George will win. The West? Four (it may be six) pretty bad dull teams; who cares if any of them win?

But the National League is difteam into the playoffs - magic. The Mets could be bumbled twice at the Montreal Expos, the most Tim Wallach, we'd have to learn overlooked team since the '86 Bos- what position he plays. ton Red Sox. They could set up an

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If you can figure out what's afoot steal hope of mankind — a classic in the National League, you get in the Classic, like the young Willie some kind of special award. The Mays in 1954. How can anyone

But the Expos also menit our prayers. After all, don't you want to see something called Andres Galarraga without getting in an airferent. Pete Rose could manage a plane to fly over it? Imagioe: Neal Heaton (39-56 during his career at Cleveland), clinches the pennant, then Dennis Martinez 129-42 the in one season (in April and Septem-ber) — too good to be true. A team last four years and released by Balfrom the Astrodome could make timore) starts the Series opener. As the playoffs two years in a row — for the man who may well lead the too depressing to believe. And look major leagues in runs batted in,

Just as the Reds and Expos are consummations devoutly to be Yes, this National League husi- wished, so the Mets and Houston. player on the world champion New ness requires looking at. First of all, who did so nicely by us last fall, York Mets would be Howard John- it's occessary to the country's bior- would please us just as well to stay son? If they named one candy bar hythmic balance and gastrointesti- home this time. The Astros: Mike after Reggie Jackson when he hal peace that the Cincinnati Reds. Scott has had about enough suc-

that thinks a 2-0 count is a rally? As for the Mets, what can one say about them that they haven't already said about themselves?

In pennant races, as in jumping backup chute. Usually we're lucky and Jeffrey Leonard? They are the to have two choices (last year the secret by the Bay. final two weeks were a yawn with oo choices at all), but this time we have viable alternatives in both divisions.

After all they've endured this season, it would be small-minded to begrudge the Cardinals some glory. What we have here is one of the most exciting lineups ever con-structed without benefit of significant bome run power. They're another '34 Gas House Gang.

See Jack Clark hitting a home run and think of Rip Collins, See Willie McGee driving in runs and think Ducky Medwick. See Tommy Herr, Ozzie Smith and Terry Pendleton gloving everything and think of



Bob (Ice Station) Sebra

ing a new book ("JFK: The Man and the Airport") and think Dizzy Dean. See Vince Coleman and played in New York, then the way Johnson's going they might name 57 kinds of ice cream after him.

having come this far, be allowed to Johnson's going they might name pursue an October destiny. Give us sandpaper), and do we really want to spend October watching a team the whole '34 Cardinal team.

If the Cards are choice, then San Francisco's Giants would be novel. Can anyone east of the Mississippi imitate the batting stances of their four core hitters - Will Clark, out of airplanes, it's mice to have a Chili Davis, Candy Maldonado secret by the Bay.

The key elements to watch as these races develop? There aren't

West can play a lick. The Reds can't sociation and major league baseball, pitch, the Astros can't hit and the which routinely draft underclass-Giants fall on their faces every time men, the NFL has bounced a 50they sweep somebody and look like year agreement with the colleges oot they're about to take charge. Any- to take such players. body who wins 85 games could be a runaway in a division that, colled specifically to college students who lively, may finish 50 games under bave lost eligibility because they 500. So root for cheap Marge Schott have taken money from agents.

The supplemental draft is geared in the season opener, Sept. 14.

"McMahon threw some [To day], but it was hard to tell," Di to open her purse and get Rose a The league reluctantly set the pitcher for the stretch run.

but oobody really seems primed to Cris Carter of Ohio State, who lost Frankie Frisch, Leo Durocher and win there either. The Mets played his final year of eligibility after he Pepper Martin. Listen to pitcher Joe wonderfully a year ago, before their accepted a loan from two agents, private lives started looking like Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom. outtakes from "The People's Carter had threatened to sue the admit it. Court." The Cards played quite NFL on the ground that its refusal "We've got a long way to go," said nicely before the All-Star Game, to draft him restricted his chances Don Shula of Miami on Tuesday. but since have looked exhausted of earning a living. and ready for picking. Unless Doo Canham, the athletic direc-comeback-southpaw John Tudor tor al the University of Michigan, hits top form fast, St. Louis will sent Rozelle a letter Tuesday askneed luck and outside help to win, ing him to reconsider. It tollowed a Except for Tim Raines, the Expos strongly worded letter sent Monare almost a no-name team. So day by Carl Miller, the head of the Floyd Youmans and Bob (Ice Sta- country's governing body of athletion) Sebra are almost a match for tic directors.

Rags Faircloth of dead-ball days, but the altitude of a pennant race the league acted without "reason-could easily bring vertigo to Moo-able discussion." He pointed to the mator Tony Dungy said of the Steel-

> healthy pitching. But no National League divisional champion has repeated in this decade. If we're directors will be to the New York ary last spring by selecting three by, and we haven't scored on delucky, none will again.
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Colleges to Attempt to Dissuade NFL From Holding Supplemental Draft

NEW YORK - Several of the country's top college athletic directors hope to meet here Thursday with Pete Rozelle, the commissioner of the National Football League, to urge him to postpone Friday's scheduled special draft.

That draft, they fear, could be the first step in breaking down the tradition that collegians are oot drafted

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before their classes have graduated. Unlike the National Basketball As-

special draft because il feared a The teams are better to the East, lawsuit from one of the players,

league's long-standing relationship Cold commoo sense says that the Mets and Astros are rolling back to the lop, with experience and fairly letes as well as visit them on campus.

Iowa at Giants Stadium. It is unlikely that they will be able to dissuade Rozelle from staging the draft.

Quarterback Jim McMahon's onagain, off-again status with the Chicago Bears appears off — again. Coach Mike Ditks, who bad expected McMahon to start Monday night's exhibition game against St. Louis, isn't even sure McMahon will be able to play, McMahon is still recovering from shoulder sur-gery performed last December and

been limited by a sore arm.

Ditka said that Mike Tomczak. who started the first two exhibition games, would start Monday and could get the call against the Super Bowl champion New York Giants

his ability to throw in practice has

"McMahon threw some Tuesday], but it was hard to tell," Ditka tem since his 12-day holdout and said. "It was wet out there and it fourth-round pick Thomas Everett was like throwing a hand grenade."

The once-proud defenses of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Miami but you've got to play the game,"
Dolphins need a lot of work and Dungy said, "They're three good their coaching staffs are the first to

"We just gave up too many big plays, especially oo third down. We can't afford hat." The Dolphins . 264 yards passing in a 31-28 loss-to-burgh-probably wouldn't be.

Denver on Monday night.

The Species have

passes in two exhibition losses, only 220 net yards against and post"We've got the ability, but so far we haven't shown it," defensive coordinator Tony Dungy said of the SteelBut Ryan said the Eagles could passes in Pittsburgh losses to Washington (23-17) and Chicago (50-14).



pick Rod Woodson has yet to sign. second-rounder Delton Hall has been slow to learn the Steeler sysis sidelined with a shoulder injury.

"You think you've got yourself some help, and you do on paper,

Ryan, hailed by some as a defensive genius when he was with Chicago, is dissatisfied with his team's defensive performance, although

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Vineyard Blues: The Bug Bites, but the Fish Don't

New York Times Service NEW YORK - During the past few years, I had persuaded myself that more than half a century of angliog had left me marvelously adapted to the vagaries of the sport - that if fish were not to be had, I would simply smile, recline against a sand us, found nothing and is returning? dune or tree, sniff the breeze and reflect upon the glories of the natural world. That self-image faded recently when for

from one end of Martha's Vineyard to the other in a growing fury of frustration at being unable to eatch anything. It all began when Lou Palma, a longtime friend and occasional angling companion: his wife, Sue, and their two young sons

substantial chunks of four days, I raced

By Nelson Bryant

"If you are not too decrepit to get up at four tomorrow morning," I told him by telephone the evening be arrived, "I'll put you into big bluefish." He accepted the gambit, and the sun had out yet risen the following dawn when we

arrived oo the Vineyard for a week's vaca-

spot. The first indication that all might not be well came as we were jouncing along a trail through the dunes and saw another

vehicle coming toward us. "Doesn't that mean," asked Palma, "that someone has gotten there ahead of

"Don't fret," I responded. "It's probably some summer visitor who has spent the night fishing in the wrong place." As the vehicle drew near, Palma exclaimed, "I think it's Kib!"

It was - Kib Bramball, a mutual friend.

Because he is a highly accomplished surf fisherman, we regarded Bramhall's leaving the beach with trepidation. Indeed, he told us there were no fish at Wasque. Shaken bot undaunted, we bade him farewell, pressed on and fished Wasque --

with no success - for an hour until the tide was nearly slack "Don't worry," I told my friend, "there are half a dozen other places where I almost always find fish, including the old rock jetties and the reef just beyond the Cape Pogue lighthouse. And if that fails, began the drive to Wasque, a sandy point that juts out into the ocean off the portion of we can always catch a mess of small blues the Vineyard known as Chappaquiddick.

I was sure that we would catch big bluein Cape Pogue Pond because they stay in

heard reports of their being taken at that channel that links Cape Pogne and Pocha ponds, but couldn't resist it because several knots of terns were diving in the fastmoving current.

Palma made one cast with a new popping plug I had loaned him. He had re-trieved it about 10 feet (3.04 meters) when an unidentified fish of unknown size hit, parting the line. Palma apologized for losing the plug and I replied — truthfully — that it didn't matter, that what mattered was that we had finally located fish. Fifty casts and 20 minutes later, we left the spot,

having raised no more lish.

ocean. And as far as we could see, there were no terns working. The only birds visible were a trio of heavy-bodied berring gulls on the shore squabbling for possession of a desiccated skate. I began to have doubts, but kept them from Palma and suggested that we make the long drive to Cape Pogue Gut, the

The jetties and the reel produced ooth-

cast in the Gut. Palma hooked a small bluefish. "Be careful with him," I said. "He may be the only one. The tide is about to turn here, and when that happens, whatever

channel that links Cape Pogue Pond with

Edgartown's outer harbor. On his third

He lost the fish at the water's edge. A bluefish made a pass at my plug, and his halfhearted swirl was the closest I came to catching a fish that day. Palma beached

two 3-pound (1.36-kilogram) blues before slack water arrived and we departed. Groping my way through bordes of summer visitors at the Alley's Store in West Tisbury later that day, I was informed by Tony Rezendes, a fellow Vineyarder, that Tisbury Great Pond, which had been dosed for weeks, had been opened to the ocean. I thought of the millions of baby alewives - spawned that spring in the brooks that enter the pond - that would ing. The sun gleamed over a gently heaving be pouring out into the ocean, attracting, it seemed certain, ravenous hordes of bluefish. So I called Palrua and told him to fish the newly formed opening. He did so that afternoon and the following day, catching

> On that second day, I rose again at 4 A.M. and went alone to Lobsterville Beach in Gay Head. where small blues had abounded less than a week earlier. I saw neither fish nor fishermen in two hours of casting. Later that day, reports from other sources began in reach me, the essence of them being that bluefish had departed the Vineyard's shores. All informants save one

blamed the usual mid-August doldrums.

The lone dissenter muttered something about the completion of the Mayan calendar being a disruptive influence. Taking pity oo Palma and me, Bramhall invited us to fish a prime stretch of striped bass water at Squibnocket, a rocky portion of the Vineyard's south shore to which he has access by car. In the three hours we fished, Bramhall had three stripers make a pass at his plug, Palma had one do the

ame; I had none. My friends invited me to join them for lunch, but I was beyond wanting the sustenance offered by food and drink. I had to catch a fish. I spent the remainder of the day at Lobsterville Beach, caught nothing, and startled - with an incoherent litany about fickle winds, summer doldrums and the Mayan calendar - the one angler (an off-islander) I encountered, who asked me to tell him the best places to fish.

That night, still possessed, I called Palma and asked him if he was up for another pre-dawn shot at Wasque the following morning. He was. That trip was a nearduplicate of the first. We wound up at Cape Pogue Gut, where Palma again caught two 3-pound bluefish and I nothing. The only difference was that, some where between the Gut and home, arousement devoured my obsession.





players and they'll help eventually. When, I don't know. Philadelphia Coach Buddy

In their first two outings, the Ea-

er secondary. Opposing quarter- have had 10 sacks in Sunday's 19-13 backs completed 60 percent of their overtime victory against New England. "We're not getting turn-overs." Ryan said. "If we get more Dungy thought the team made pressure on the quarterback, we'll Many of the nation's top athletic major improvements in the second- get more. And another week went

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Implausible Deniability

WASHINGTON—One of the good things to come out of the "We're sorry but Mr. Wigwam, who signs our checks, is in the horse "planeible described with the signs our checks, is in the horse three phrase "plausible deniability" used pital and won't be back for three by the White House minions. The months." Or "We regret our comobject of plausible deniability was puter is down and we will not be to give the president an out if anyable to deal with the problem until one attempted to trace dirty White we hear from our programmer in House linen to the Oval Office. Tokyo."

"The president didn't know be-Admiral Poindexter during the

bearings, thus giving Resgan the deniability he so badly needed during the worst period

of his term. It is also believed that other witnesses provided themselves with plausible deniability

Buchwald while cooking up various covert actions, but each witness was judged differently. The public decided in the case of Albert Hakim that his deniability was a work of treachery. while in the case of Ollie North it was an act of patriotism.

Although plausible deniability became fashionable during the Iran-contra hearings it is really as old as American apple pie, and dere isn't a segment of our society that doesn't use it.

For example, suppose you are waiting on a check from a compa-ny. This is the kind of plausible

Collector to Give 300 Dalis to Spain

MADRID — An Irish art collector said he was donating his 300-painting collection of

Dali paintings belong to Spain," Peter Moore, a former secretary to Dall, said in Cadaques where he No one in the country could live runs a museum devoted to Dali,

Moore, who was Dali's secretary for 15 years until 1972, said he would keep only a few of his Dali paintings, including one the artist gave him. Dali, 83, lives near Cada- another, and in defense uses the ques in Figueras, a secluded figure ultimate excuse, "I was only fol-since his wife died in 1982.

Tradesmen all carry plausible cause I didn't tell him," bragged deniability cards in their wallets, which they take out and recite at will. "I didn't promise to deliver the slipcovers in August — I told you I would have them ready between August and November, It's written right here in my pocket calendar." That or "We were there yesterday but oo one answered the door."

Personnel managers are experts in plausible deniability. There must be some mistake. We never offered you a job — we just told you that if something opened up you would get equal consideration. If you don't accept this as a reasonable explanation we will shred all copies of your resume."

Even schoolchildren learn early in life to provide themselves with deniability. "I didn't know I was supposed to do homework because nobody told me." Or "Miss Mathers said I dido't have to turo in my term paper until Tuesday. I have the date marked in my unique most book, so she must have gotten her

nstructions all wrong. And while we're at it, let's not forget the P.D. practiced by teenagers. "The reason I didn't bring the car home last night is it broke down and I could not find anyone to fix it, and I didn't want to leave it sitting out there on the Beltway, so

I guarded it all night lone."
"What proof do you have?"

Plausible deniability is the most important kind of deniability there is. It is a most that can't be chaken whether told by an airline clerk vorte by the Surregist painter Sal lit. It is a story that can't be thaken vador Duli to the Spanish state, whether told by an airline clerk who tells you you have no reservation or an auto mechanic who claims he has repaired your brakes. without it. Even in affairs of the heart P.D. plays a most vital role. Who in this great country has not been caught going out with some-body while he or she belongs to

Michael Gambon, Virtuoso on Stage

By Mcl Gussow New York Times Service

ONDON - In London in the summer of 1976, I was disappointed to learn that Alan Bates, the star of Simoo Gray's "Otherwise Engaged," had left the cast and had been replaced by an actor named Michael Gambon.

coolly unemotional publisher. However, I profession. Role for role, pound for pound,

most admire and many would name Gama ally bosterous performance, filled with bon. Gambon has not yet appeared on the mirthful invention. The fact that he only American stage — apparently he has had neither the time nor the occasion — a dimension of his performance. major loss for American theater.

comedies. Not only is he is a master at Alan Ayckbours and Harold Pinter.

"A View from the Bridge," as directed y Ayckbourn, has been such a success at National that in the fall it will move to the West End. Later in the season, Gambon will act in "Uncle Vanya."

As is customary with this extraordinary actor, he is almost unrecognizable from role to role. Gambon has always had the ability to transform himself into people apparently distant from his own personality, but Eddie Carbone must be counted as a major leap.

This 46-year-old Englishman is totally movement that is both graceful and lumbering, he is Eddie Carbone, on the hoof, a man who, in the actor's interpretation, is almost too large for his body. With his sweeping gestures — the way be embraces his niece or coaxes the immigrant Rodol-

pho into a boxing match - he seems to encompass everything in sight. Emotionally as well as physically he is bone-crushing. He delivers the kind of dangerous performance once associated with Brando.

Theatergoers seeing Gambon for the first time in "A View from the Bridge" will be startled to encounter him in "Tons of As it turned out, the relatively unknown Monsy." (as adapted and directed by Gambon was splendid in the role of the Ayckbourn). In this creaky farce, he plays a small, supporting role, and wins the evehad no idea that in scarcely more than 10 ning's heartiest laughs. Standing at a per-years he would rise to the peak of his petual tilt, with his back hunched, he could be a good-natured Quasimodo. He always Michael Gambou is, arguably, the finest seems to be leaning against a door or actor in the English theater.

Ask English actors which colleague they give way. This is a subtle, though occasion-

As another change of pace, no alternate He is a stage actor who never stops nights, he turns into Ayckbourn's Jack challenging himself and his audience and MacCracken, who takes over the "Small who swings gymnastically from the weight-iest of classics to sardonic contemporary rounded by increasingly greater family corruption. By Gambon standards, Mac-Shakespeare, he is one of England's lore- Cracken is a bland character; the actor most interpreters of the plays of Gray, imbues him with substance.

These three faces of Gambon are enough As proof of his range, this summer he has been performing three widely diverse roles in repertory at the National: Eddie other accomplishments. Io previous seasons, as Brecht's Calileo and as King Lear, Sprule, the clownish butler in the 1920s farce, "Tons of Money"; and a perplexed middle-class entrepreneur in Ayekbourn's new play, "A Small Family Business."

These three faces of Gambon are enough to certify his versatility, but one alters that to certify his versatility, but one alters that on considering his other accomplishments. Io previous seasons, as Brecht's Calileo and as King Lear, be had the classical grandeur of Laurence farce, "Tons of Money"; and a perplexed Olivier. At other times, he has displayed a middle-class entrepreneur in Ayekbourn's ardson.

"A View from the Bridge," as directed.

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As a young engineer immed actor, he was significantly, discovered by Olivier who brought him into the National Theatre. Several years ago, I asked Olivier about Gambon and he replied, "He was one of my 'old boys' at the National. I started him in almost walk-on parts." He added, with evident admiration, "He's a very important actor now."

Gambon's Galileo and Lear, the first in 1981 at the National, the second in 1982 at the Royal Shakespeare Company's theater in Stratford-upon-Avon, were titanic charconvincing — and more — as Arthur acterizations, and a turning point in his Miller's Italian-American longshoreman. career. Suddenly, people realized that his From the moment he walks on stage, with a aspect of a multifaceted theater artist,

The following year he played Antony to Helen Mirren's Cleopatra for the Royal Shakespeare Company in London. It was astonishing to look at any of the three performances and to realize that there was





Michael Gambon as Galileo (top), as Eddie Carbone in "A View From the Bridge" (above left) and as the butler Sprules in "Tons of Money."

also a Pinter-Gray-Ayckhourn actor within

the epic framework. One key to his artistry is that he has always been a character actor rather than a leading man. From an early age, he has played roles older than his years, a fact that is helped by his robust, leonine physique. Although he played the role of the husband in "Betrayal," later interpreted on the screen by Jeremy Irons, he has not generalbeen cast in romantie leads.

Though his reputation has been growing y the year on the London stage, Gambon s made only a few films (upstaging Ben Kingsley and Glenda Jackson as the kindly zookeeper in "Turtle Diary"). However, Dennis Potter's recent English television

mini-series, "The Singing Detective," suddealy turned him into a household name in Britain.

In an interview in the current issue of Drama, an English magazine, Gambon characterized his technique as "almost like method acting." Before going on stage, he said, "I stand there trying to find the center of the character. Sometimes, you don't find it and you get by ou a sort of sense-memory of what it was like when it worked. But I know when I've got him. I finish with my heart pounding, feeling as if I've been run-

ing."

If Marion Brando had continued to work in the theater, he might have developed into an American Michael Gambon.

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Physics Prof Pops Out In a Bubbly Shoot-Off

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Records. His best effort was 96 cert (about 29 meters). Medians, a pro-fessor at Rensselver Polytechnic Institute, said he should have done more research, crushed, I'm not a broken man.

A new book has been published in the Soviet Union about Signature Smith, she is the subject of a forthcoming opera, and a fund. raising campaign known as "Pro-ject Samantha" also has been started to finance projects between children of the Soviel Union and other nations and to erect a monay ment in memory of the girl from Maine, the Communist Party daily Pravda reported Wednesday. Sa-mantha, who died in a plane crash on Aug. 25, 1985, at age 13, gained international attention when she wrote a letter to Yuri Andropov, the Soviet leader, in December 1982 expressing concern about war between the superpowers. Andropov invited Samantha and her parents to the Soviet Union in 1983.

The gawkers, the paparazzi and the television crews were back in Los Angeles Superior Court to re-cord the moment as Joan Collins was granted a divorce from her fourth husband. Peter Holm, Collins, dressed in a white suit decorated by twin butterfly pins, told Judge Kenseth Black that irrecon-clable differences had led to the split and no further counseling could save the 1.3-month-old union. Black swiftly pronounced the manriage over. This latest round in the eight-mouth disorer war took about a minute. Later, the star of television's "Dynasty" stood before cameras and reporters to dismiss the 40-year-old Holm as a "bit of a loser" and an "ex-hapter in my life." Vowing she will not marry a fifth time, the actress joked, "I don't need a husband. I need a wife." Holm and Collins are due back in court Oct. 7 to spar over his request for \$80,000 in support and his claim to a "substantial" portion of Collins's holding

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